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Mao Tse-tung from Provincial, Regional and
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and Party Committees of PLA Units

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(Peking Jen-min Jih-pao Sept. 11, 1976)

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We were shocked by the news that the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao passed away at 00:10 hours, September 9, 1976, and left us forever. We are filled with immense grief. Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over, and to the cause of Communism. With the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, he waged a tenacious struggle against his illness, still led the work of the whole Party, the whole Army and the whole nation during his illness and fought till his last breadth. Our esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts.

At this time of extreme sorrow, all comrades voice their determination to respond to the call issued in the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" and turn their grief into strength, lead all Communist Party members, Communist Youth League members and the people of the whole municipality to rally closely round the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. All comrades will continue to deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. They will persevere in the policy of grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. They will strengthen the centralized leadership of the Party, persist in the principle of combining the old, the middle-aged and the young, unite as one, remain firm and steady, stick to their posts, work with redoubled efforts, overcome all difficulties and carry out well the work in all fields. They will heighten revolutionary vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war and be ready at all times to smash the disturbance and sabotage by imperialists, revisionists and reactionaries and by domestic class enemies.

The passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities of our country, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. During the struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and both inside and

outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and enriched the treasury-house of Marxist theory. Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance. We will study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao more diligently, use this powerful ideological weapon to guide the three great revolutionary movements of class struggle, struggle for production and scientific experiment, and carry the proletarian cause of revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Peking Municipal Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Our most esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao has left us forever! All Communist Party members and the ten million army-men and civilians of Shanghai municipality, with the deepest grief, mourn over our most esteemed and beloved leader Chairman Mao.

In the past 55 years, Chairman Mao himself founded our Party and led our Party, our Army and our people in weathering the tempests of class struggle and the struggle between the two lines, vanquishing the interference and sabotage by the opportunist and revisionist lines and winning great victories in the new democratic revolution and the socialist revolution and in the great proletarian cultural revolution. At a time when we were ready to wage a new struggle under the leadership of our great leader Chairman Mao, he left us forever, filling us with grief beyond description.

At this moment of immense grief, we vow to the Party Central Committee: We will follow Chairman Mao's consistent teachings, rally closely round the Party Central Committee, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, perseveringly continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end!

We will carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, turn our grief into strength, conscientiously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, unite as one, remain firm and steady, stick to our posts, strengthen preparedness against war, heighten our vigilance, deal telling blows at any enemy that dares to intrude and at sabotage by the class enemies at home, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, restrict bourgeois rights, struggle against the bourgeoisie inside the Party through to the end, further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and strive for still great victories of the cause of communism!

Eternal glory to the great leader Chairman Mao!

The great teacher Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

We will advance bravely under the guidance of Chairman Mao's
revolutionary line!

The invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will shine forever!

The CCP Shanghai Municipal Committee and
the Shanghai Municipal Revolutionary Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We were shocked by the news of the passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao whom we loved from the bottom of our hearts and for whom we had boundless admiration and respect. The people on both banks of the Haiho River were instantly thrown into a state of immense grief and the seven million people of the whole municipality, with most profound sorrow, mourn over the great and wise leader Chairman Mao. Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country. Under Chairman Mao's personal leadership, our Party went through a brilliant course of combat in the past half a century and more, defeated the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, and led the people of the whole country to win a great victory of the new democratic revolution and found a socialist new China and to persist in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and win one great victory after another in socialist revolution and construction. With the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, Chairman Mao personally initiated and led the great proletarian cultural revolution which shook the world and was of extremely far-reaching significance, and smashed the criminal conspiracy of the bourgeoisie in the Party represented by Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing to subvert the dictatorship of the proletariat and restore capitalism, thereby tremendously consolidating the socialist system under the dictatorship of the proletariat in China. In the struggles against opportunism inside the Party and against modern revisionism in the international sphere represented by the Soviet revisionist renegade clique, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, upheld the Marxist-Leninist theory on the proletarian revolution and the dictatorship of the proletariat, armed the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of the whole country with the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, unequivocally pointed out for the first time in the history of the development of Marxism that there are still classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed, put forth the scientific thesis that the bourgeoisie is in the Communist Party, solved theoretically and practically the major problem for the present era of combatting and preventing revisionism, continuing the revolution and carrying the

socialist revolution through to the end, thereby immensely enriching the treasure-house of Marxist theory. Mao Tsetung Thought is forever the beacon lighting up our advance and a powerful ideological weapon for triumphing over the bourgeoisie inside the Party and defeating imperialism, revisionism and reaction. It has pointed out to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the whole world the orientation of struggle. The basic line which Chairman Mao charted for our Party for the whole historical period of socialism is our life blood in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and has indicated to us the correct way to communism. The great leader Chairman Mao is a brilliant model of proletarian revolutionaries. He placed utmost trust on the masses, showed the utmost concern for the masses and his heart beat as one with those of the masses. He will live forever in our hearts. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who personally charted the operational plan for the Peking-Tientsin campaign and directly commanded this historic campaign which delivered the people of Tientsin from the dark rule of the Kuomintang reactionaries. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who came to Tientsin on many occasions and inspected the factories, the harbor, the people's communes, farms, shops and schools, giving us a great deal of very important instructions and guiding us to advance triumphantly along the road to socialist revolution and construction. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who joined them in celebrating the "May 1" International Labor Day in the turbulent year of 1960, encouraging them to weather the storm and advance bravely. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who issued the great call "It is imperative to put Haiho River under permanent control," which guided the people in the Haiho River basin to win brilliant victories in harnessing Haiho River. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who, when the great proletarian cultural revolution was advancing in triumph, made the brilliant "March 7" comments on the experience of Yen-an Middle School in establishing the revolutionary great alliance, thereby guiding the proletarian revolutionaries to put on the revolutionary outlook of emancipating mankind as a whole and to unite together to win a victory in the great struggle against the bourgeoisie inside the Party. The people of Tientsin will never forget that it was the great leader Chairman Mao who, at the time when Tientsin municipality was affected by a strong earthquake, promptly sent to the people in the stricken area his loving care and sent here the Central Delegation with Comrade Hua Kuo-feng as the general leader to extend regards to us and organize huge support to the stricken area, thereby inspiring us to launch a tenacious fight against the natural disaster. Chairman Mao's loving care and kind teachings have been deeply imprinted in the minds of the seven million people of Tientsin municipality and will forever inspire us to advance bravely on the road to socialism. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people and to the international communist movement and the revolutionary people the world over. We will obey the call issued by the Party Central Committee and turn our grief into strength. We are determined to rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle against the Right deviationist attempt at reversing

verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won in the great cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, display the revolutionary spirit that man will triumph over nature, strive for betterment, rely on our own efforts in developing production and rebuilding our homes, step up industrial production to the pre-quake level at the highest possible speed, make still greater efforts to reap a bumper harvest in agriculture, and display our selfless, revolutionary spirit in carrying out the work in all fields with still better results. We will heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, resolutely hit at all sabotage activities of the class enemies, and make preparations for wiping out all enemies who dare to invade. We are determined, under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, to firmly take class struggle as the key link, strengthen revolutionary unity, rely on the masses of the people in overcoming all difficulties, winning still greater victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right-deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and winning still greater victories in socialist revolution and construction, and carry the cause of the proletarian revolution initiated personally by the great leader Chairman Mao through to the end! Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought! Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China! Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Tientsin Municipal Committee and
the Tientsin Municipal Revolutionary
Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Upon hearing the news of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the most esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher of the people of all nationalities of China, the people of all nationalities of Sinkiang were instantly thrown into boundless grief.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of the great Communist Party of China, the great Chinese People's Liberation Army and the great People's Republic of China. He led our Party, our Army and the Chinese people in waging protracted, brave and tenacious struggles against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines both inside and outside the Party and against the class enemies at home and abroad, overcoming countless difficulties and perils, tiding over roaring waves and winning great victories in the new democratic revolution, in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right

deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. During these struggles, our Party was built into a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era. For half a century, Chairman Mao, with his brilliant thinking and great revolutionary practice, inspired the revolutionary struggles of the proletariat the world over and of the oppressed nations and peoples, and pushed the history of mankind forward. He integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of China's revolution, summed up the experience of the international communist movement and subsequently put forth a series of scientific theses, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and pointed out to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world the orientation of struggle. The splendid page the great leader Chairman Mao wrote in and the magnificent contributions he made to the Chinese revolution and the world revolution will shine forever like the sun and the moon and are immortal. Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate the road of advance for the Chinese people.

Chairman Mao was the great savior of the people of all nationalities. He showed the utmost concern for the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang. It was Chairman Mao who sent his kinsmen Ch'en T'an-ch'iu and Mao Tse-min to bring the revolutionary truth and sow the seeds of revolution here; it was Chairman Mao who sent the People's Liberation Army here and delivered the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang from the abyss of sufferings; it was Chairman Mao's revolutionary line which guided the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang to embark on the bright road to socialism; it was Chairman Mao's brilliant nationalities policy which helped realize and consolidate the great revolutionary unity among the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang; it was the series of Chairman Mao's teachings on the anti-revisionist struggle in Sinkiang which guided us to smash the subversion and sabotage by Soviet revisionism and to defend the unification of the motherland; it was Chairman Mao's doctrine of continued revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat which armed the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang, helping them win one victory after another in socialist revolution and construction. All our victories are an outcome of Chairman Mao's wise leadership, a great victory for Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, a great victory for Mao Tsetung Thought and a great victory for Chairman Mao's nationalities policy. No matter how vast the heaven and the earth are, they are beyond comparison with Chairman Mao's benevolence to us. Chairman Mao's benevolence will be engraved forever on the minds of the people of all nationalities in Sinkiang.

The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao has thrown us into the deepest grief. The Party organizations and revolutionary committees at all levels and the more than 10 million people of all nationalities in Sinkiang Uighur Autonomous Region, firmly responding to the call of the Party Central Committee, will turn their grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, advance along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

We are determined to rally firmly round the Party Central Committee, obey its commands in all our actions and resolutely defend the Party's unity, the unity of all nationalities and the unification of our socialist motherland.

We are determined to diligently study the works by Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, firmly take class struggle as the key link, adhere to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, carry out the struggle against the Right-deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the achievements gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution, and strive to further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and achieve the great goal of communism.

We will firmly implement Chairman Mao's instructions on the anti-revisionist struggle in Sinkiang, heighten our vigilance a hundredfold against the subversion, sabotage and surprise attack by social-imperialism and concretely strengthen preparedness against war. We are ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade.

We will firmly implement Chairman Mao's policy of grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, unite as one, exert still greater revolutionary efforts to overcome all difficulties and build Sinkiang into an impregnable anti-revisionist outpost!

The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in the hearts of the people of all nationalities!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of Sinkiang Uighur
Autonomous Region and the Revolutionary
Committee of Sinkiang Uighur Autonomous
Region

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We were shocked to learn of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the esteemed and beloved great leader of our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. We are in immense grief. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and to the revolutionary people the world over. On behalf of all Communist Party members, all PLA commanders and fighters and the people of all nationalities in Inner Mongolian Autonomous Region, we express mourning with deep grief!

Chairman Mao is the greatest Marxist of the present era, the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, and the great savior of the Chinese people of all nationalities. He devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples the world over and the cause of communism.

The passing away of Chairman Mao bereaved our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities of their great leader whom they loved from the bottom of their hearts, and bereaved the revolutionary people the world over of a great teacher. The esteemed and beloved Chairman Mao has left us forever. But, his magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the world are immortal. The invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance!

We, all Communist Party members, PLA commanders and fighters and revolutionary people of all nationalities in Inner Mongolian Autonomous Region, will conscientiously study and firmly implement the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country," firmly respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persevere in taking class struggle as the key link, adhere to the Party's basic line and persist in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will firmly support the leadership of the Party Central Committee, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, firmly act according to the instructions of the Party Central Committee, obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions and firmly defend the unity and unification of the Party. We will exert our efforts a hundredfold to do our work well, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and the struggle against the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, warmly support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution and in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius, and go further to strengthen the great unity of the people of all nationalities, to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, to grasp revolution and promote production and to win new victories in socialist revolution and construction. We will make strenuous efforts to strengthen Army building and militia building, strengthen preparedness against war, heighten vigilance and safeguard the northern entrance of the motherland, and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We will diligently study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and fight for the complete overthrow of the bourgeoisie and all exploiting classes, the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat in place of the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie and the triumph of socialism over capitalism, and for building China into a powerful socialist state, making greater contributions to mankind and ultimately achieving communism. We will carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end and let the revolutionary red flag fly forever above the lands of the motherland!

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao will live forever
in our hearts!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of Inner Mongolian
Autonomous Region, the Revolutionary Committee
of Inner Mongolian Autonomous Region, and
the Inner Mongolian Military Command

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Chairman Mao, our esteemed and beloved great leader and the great savior of the people of all nationalities has left us forever, filling all the Communist Party members and the 32 million army men and civilians of Heilungkiang province with immense grief. Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our socialist motherland and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who led our Party to overcome the opportunist line and the counter-revolutionary revisionist line time and again, enabling our Party to develop and grow in strength steadily. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who led our Party in delivering the Chinese people of all nationalities from the abyss of sufferings and in marching forward steadily on the bright road to socialism. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who, in the international communist movement, launched a great struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, motivated the prosperous development of the worldwide cause of proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed the history of mankind forward. Chairman Mao devoted all his energies to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples of the world and the great cause of communism. Chairman Mao's great revolutionary thinking and great revolutionary practice have written extremely brilliant pages in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. Mao Tsetung Thought will forever light up our road of advance.

We, Party organizations at all levels, all Communist Party members and the 32 million army men and civilians of Heilungkiang province, will, in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by the great leader Chairman Mao, unite as one, stick to our posts, and strive for new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and for still greater victories in the cause of Communism.

We will forever advance along Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the achievements gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution, and go further to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat.

We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee, firmly defend the unity and unification of the Party and consolidate the great unity of the people of all nationalities based on the worker-peasant alliance under the working-class leadership.

We will heighten vigilance a hundredfold, concretely strengthen preparedness against war and reinforce border defense, be ready at all times to smash any aggression by the Soviet revisionist social-imperialism, and

defend the borders of our great motherland. We will keep close watch over the new trend of class struggle and firmly hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of all class enemies.

We will firmly grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, exert still greater revolutionary efforts to increase production and strictly practice economy, and make strenuous efforts to fulfill and overfulfill this year's plan of the national economy.

At this moment of immense grief, we with boundless loyalty, admiration and respect for the great leader Chairman Mao make this solemn vow to the Party Central Committee: We will live up to the great leader Chairman Mao's consistent teachings, always bear in mind the resplendent inscriptions "Study," "Struggle," "Study Marxism-Leninism," "Never be corrupted with bureaucratic styles" and "Develop production" written by Chairman Mao when he came to inspect the work in our province in 1950, continue to diligently study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and, under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, unite with the people of all nationalities in the province to overcome all difficulties and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by the great leader Chairman Mao through to the end.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Heilungkiang Provincial Committee,
the Heilungkiang Provincial Revolutionary
Committee and the Heilungkiang Provincial
Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With utmost grief we listened in to and studied the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. We, the Party organizations and the revolutionary committees at all levels of Kirin province, all commanders and fighters of the Kirin Provincial Military Command, and the people of all nationalities of Kirin province, mourn with immensely deep grief the passing away of our esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the great leader of the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country, and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed people and nations. He inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism. He was the greatest Marxist of the present era. All victories in China's revolution were won

under Chairman Mao's leadership and were great victories for Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. It was because there were Chairman Mao's wise leadership and the guidance of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's revolutionary line that there were the victory of the new democratic revolution, the great achievements in the socialist revolution and construction in China and the series of victories in defeating the opportunist and revisionist lines in the Party in the past and dealing telling blows at imperialism, revisionism and reaction, that our Party, our Army, the Chinese people and our state under the dictatorship of the proletariat can be what they are today, and that there can be the excellent revolutionary situation at home and abroad at present. Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions will be engraved forever in our hearts. Mao Tsetung Thought will light up our road of advance forever.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to the whole Party, the whole Party, the people of all nationalities throughout the country and the revolutionary people of the world. No words can describe our grief. We will, in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on with determination the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, rally closely round the Party Central Committee, diligently study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, study Chairman Mao's great theory and great revolutionary practice, firmly and unswervingly advance steadily in the direction pointed out by Chairman Mao, perseveringly take class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persistently continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end!

We will act according to the policies laid down by Chairman Mao and the Party Central Committee, strengthen study, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue the struggle of repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and go further to consolidate and develop the achievements gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will take the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing as the motive force in grasping revolution and promoting production, achieving still greater results in all branches of work, overcoming all difficulties and winning still greater victories in socialist revolution and construction.

Our province is situated in the borders of the motherland. We will heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, firmly smash the sabotage by class enemies, defend our great socialist motherland and consolidate the red regime under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Our Party, our Army and our state under the dictatorship of the proletariat were founded by Chairman Mao himself. Our people have been nurtured with and brought up by Mao Tsetung Thought. Particularly after the great proletarian cultural revolution and the great struggles to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's revolutionary line have been imprinted more deeply in the people's minds. We can stand any historical tests and are invincible. We will live up to Chairman Mao's consistent teachings. Under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, we will unite as one, march forward bravely and strive to build our country into a powerful socialist state and to achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

The CCP Kirin Provincial Committee, the
Kirin Provincial Revolutionary Committee
and the Kirin Provincial Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief we deeply mourn our most esteemed and beloved
great leader Chairman Mao! We also extend sincere regards to Comrade Chiang
Ch'ing and Chairman Mao's family dependents!

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army
and the People's Republic of China, the great teacher of the international
proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, and the greatest Marxist
of the present era. The great, invincible Mao Tsetung Thought guided us to
win great victories of the new democratic revolution and the socialist revolution
and construction and, in particular, to win great victories of the great
proletarian cultural revolution, the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius, the
criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and the repulse of the Right deviationist
attempt at reversing verdicts. The great Mao Tsetung Thought will forever be
the beacon light guiding us to march forward.

The people of our province loved the great leader Chairman Mao from the
bottom of their hearts, and had boundless admiration and respect for him. From
their personal experience, the cadres and the masses of the people have
learned deeply that the new and the old societies were two different worlds
and it was the great leader Chairman Mao who delivered them from the miserable
old society. Chairman Mao was our great savior! However vast the heaven and
the earth are, they are not so vast as the Party's benevolence to us; however
deep the rivers and the seas are, they are not so deep as Chairman Mao's
benevolence to us. Chairman Mao showed utmost concern for the revolution and
construction in our Liaoning province and once came personally to Liaoning
on an inspection tour. During the democratic revolution, during the period of
socialist revolution and construction and since the great proletarian cultural
revolution, Chairman Mao gave a great deal of very important instructions on
the work in various fields in our province, tremendously arousing the revolutionary
fighting spirit of the cadres and the broad masses and their enthusiasm
for construction. Every achievement we have made is an outcome of Chairman
Mao's loving care and patient teaching for us. Chairman Mao is a never-setting
sun in our hearts. Chairman Mao's instructions are the guide for our actions.
They are engraved in the hearts of the people of Liaoning and will be remembered
forever by them.

The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable
loss to the whole Party, the whole Army, the people of the whole country and
the revolutionary people of the world! It fills the people of Liaoning province
with immense grief. We will firmly respond to the "Message to the Whole Party,
the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country"

by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will use our blood and lives to defend Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. The seas may dry up and the rocks may rot, but our determination to make revolution in accordance with Chairman Mao's revolutionary line will never change.

We will firmly take class struggle as the key link, adhere to the Party's basic line and continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat.

We are determined to rally closely round the Party Central Committee, defend the Party's unity, obey the unified orders of the Party Central Committee and further strengthen Party building in the course of the two-line struggle.

We will firmly remember Chairman Mao's great teachings that the bourgeoisie "is right in the Communist Party" and "the capitalist-roads are still on the capitalist road." We will firmly struggle against the bourgeoisie in the Party, continue to deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the achievements gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, consciously restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will firmly grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war. We will heighten vigilance, firmly hit at the sabotage activities of the class enemies and be prepared at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We are determined to surmount all difficulties and do a good job of industrial and agricultural production and the work in all other fields.

We are determined to diligently study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought. Mao Tsetung Thought is a powerful ideological weapon for the proletariat to exercise all-round dictatorship over the bourgeoisie. Like a bright beacon, it will light up our road of advance. We will make strenuous efforts to study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works and fight arduously to achieve the great goal of communism as laid down in the basic program of the Party!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Liaoning Provincial Committee and
the Liaoning Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We learned with deepest grief the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao. The broad masses of Communist Party members, workers, peasants, PLA commanders and fighters, militiamen, revolutionary cadres and revolutionary intellectuals of Shantung province are filled with boundless sorrow and weep over the loss of their esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher. At the moment when the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of the whole country are in immense sorrow, we, on behalf of all Communist Party members and the people throughout Shantung province, mourn with boundless grief Chairman Mao Tse-tung, the greatest Marxist of the present era whom the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world love from the bottom of their hearts and hold in boundless admiration and respect, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country, and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. We also extend sincere regards to esteemed and beloved Comrade Chiang Ch'ing.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, and the great savior of the people of all nationalities throughout the country. Our Party organizations and the people throughout Shantung province have learned deeply from their revolutionary struggles in the past few decades that all victories of the Chinese revolution have been an outcome of the great leader Chairman Mao's wise leadership and are victories for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and the great Mao Tsetung Thought. Chairman Mao integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution and led us to wage a great struggle of the new democratic revolution, a great struggle for socialist revolution and construction and a great struggle to launch the great proletarian cultural revolution, to criticize Lin Biao and Confucius, to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. Whenever Chairman Mao's revolutionary line was implemented, the revolutionary cause developed victoriously; whenever Chairman Mao's revolutionary line was disturbed, the revolutionary cause met defeats and suffered losses. Without Chairman Mao, there would not be the liberation of the Chinese people, there would not be the socialist New China under the dictatorship of the proletariat, there would not be the victory of the socialist revolution and construction, and the Chinese people will have nothing of their own. We have learned deeply that while leading our Party and the Chinese people to wage protracted struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and both inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and wrote an utterly resplendent chapter in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement. Mao Tsetung Thought is the beacon guiding us to advance in victory. Chairman Mao's great revolutionary practice has promoted the prosperous development of the worldwide proletarian revolutionary cause and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, pushed forward the history of mankind and made ineffaceable magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, to the international proletariat and to the revolutionary people the world over.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to the whole Party, the whole Army, the people of all nationalities throughout the country, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries, and to the international communist movement. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. The great Mao Tsetung Thought will always take command in our fight.

We will, in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, perseveringly take class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, and obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions. We firmly pledge to diligently study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, consciously transform our world outlook, combat and prevent revisionism, and forever uphold Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line. We firmly pledge that we will continue to concentrate fire on the deep-going criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing in close conjunction with the actual conditions and carry the great struggle to repulse Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts through to the end. Under the main target of criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing, we will unite with over 95 percent of the masses and the cadres to fight against the enemy. We firmly pledge to penetratingly carry out the three great revolutionary movements of class struggle, struggle for production and scientific experiment, tightly grasp revolution, vigorously promote production, go all out, aim high, achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism, and make strenuous efforts to fulfill and overfulfill the plan of the national economy. We firmly pledge to heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities by the class enemies at home and abroad and the bourgeoisie both inside and outside the Party, and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We firmly pledge to penetratingly carry out socialist revolution in the two aspects, that is, the economic base and the superstructure, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, consciously restrict bourgeois rights, and consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution. We firmly pledge to strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, to defend the Party's unity and unification, to strengthen Party building in the course of the two-line struggle and to build the three-in-one leading squads comprising the old, the middle-aged and the young in accordance with the five requirements for the training of successors to the revolution. We will never fail to live up to the great leader Chairman Mao's consistent teachings. Under the guidance of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, we will fight in unity to overcome all difficulties, carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end and fight bravely to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, build our country into a powerful socialist state and achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Shantung Provincial Committee
and the Shantung Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief we deeply mourn the passing away of our esteemed
and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army
and our socialist new China, the great teacher of the international
proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples of the world, and the
greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, Chairman
Mao, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of
Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, inherited,
defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the course of the protracted
struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and both inside and
outside the Party, writing an extremely resplendent page in the history of
the proletarian revolutionary movement. Chairman Mao made magnificent contri-
butions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revo-
lutionary people the world over. He devoted all his energies throughout
his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of
liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples of the world and the cause
of Communism. All our victories have been won under Chairman Mao's
wise leadership and have been great victories for Mao Tsetung Thought.
Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance.

In firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, we
will turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by
Chairman Mao and carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by
Chairman Mao through to the end. We will firmly take class struggle as the
key link, keep to the Party's basic line and continue the revolution under
the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will strengthen the Party's
centralized leadership, defend the Party's unity and unification and rally
closely round the Party Central Committee. We will strengthen Party build-
ing and firmly carry out the principle of combining the old, the middle-aged
and the young in accordance with the five requirements for the training of
successors. We will rely on the working class and strengthen the worker-peasant
alliance wholeheartedly. We will carry through to the end the struggle
to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt
at reversing verdicts; we will consolidate and develop the fruits of victories
won during the great cultural revolution, energetically support the new
socialist things, consciously restrict bourgeois rights and further con-
solidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will continue to carry
out the three great revolutionary movements, adhere to the policy of building
our country independently, by taking the initiative in our own hands and
relying on our own efforts, through plain living and arduous struggle,

diligence and frugality, and uphold the general line of building socialism. We will conscientiously carry out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line of foreign affairs, uphold the proletarian internationalism and carry the struggle against imperialism, social-imperialism and modern revisionism through to the end. We will diligently study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, equip our minds with the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and fight arduously to build our country into a powerful socialist state and achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

Fukien is situated on the front of coastal defense. It shoulders a serious task of struggle against the enemy. We will strengthen unity between armymen and civilians and between the Army and the Government, strengthen militia building, strengthen preparedness against war, heighten vigilance and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We will contribute our share toward liberating Taiwan. We will obey the appeals of the Party Central Committee in all our work, obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions, stick to our posts and perseveringly grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war.

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao personally led the Worker-Peasant Red Army and spread the fire of revolution from the Ching Kang Mountains to Fukien during the Second Revolutionary Civil War Period and wrote the ever-shining Resolution of the Kut'ien Conference, pointing out the basic orientation for the building of our Party and our Army. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. We will advance bravely along the course charted by Chairman Mao.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Fukien Provincial Committee and
the Fukien Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

On hearing the unfortunate news of the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao, the entire body of commanders and fighters of our Peking PLA unit -- no matter whether they are the old comrades who had followed Chairman Mao to fight north and south for decades or the cadres and fighters who have been steeled and grown up in the period of socialism -- feel immense grief over the loss of their great leader and teacher. At this moment of worldwide mourning, we solemnly pledge that we will always remain loyal to Chairman Mao and to his proletarian revolutionary line. The People's Liberation Army has been most faithful to the teachings of Chairman Mao, so it is and so will it be in the future and forever. We will pass on Mao Tsetung Thought for the generations to come

and resolutely carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end!

Chairman Mao was the greatest revolutionary teacher of the contemporary era, the savior whom the people of all nationalities will never forget in the future generations and the never-setting red sun in the hearts of the hundreds of millions of soldiers and people of the whole country! Although Chairman Mao has left us, his revolutionary line is deep in the hearts of people and Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our revolutionary course. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. In the arduous and complex struggle for the past half a century and more, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, greatly enriching the theoretical treasury of proletarian revolution. Like a lighthouse, Mao Tsetung Thought gloriously illuminates the path of liberation of the Chinese and international proletariat and of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over. Initiated by Chairman Mao, the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core has made eternal contributions to the international communist movement and the cause of emancipation of all mankind. The revolutionary people the world over love him from the bottom of their hearts and have boundless admiration and respect for him.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our great Party, great Army and great socialist country. He combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism closely with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, led the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country to triumph over the Right and the "Left" opportunist lines and seize thorough victory in the new democratic revolution. In the period of socialism, he put forward the great theory of continued revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and laid down the Party's basic line. He personally initiated and led the great proletarian cultural revolution, triumphed over the counter-revolutionary revisionist line of Liu Shao-ch'i and Lin Biao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing, and seized great victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction. He performed matchless, great feats in combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, guarding against the restoration of capitalism, building our country into a modern socialist power and seizing victories in the cause of communism. All the victories of the Chinese revolution are great victories for Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. Without Chairman Mao's wise leadership, there would not have been the new China. Without Chairman Mao, we cannot be what we are today.

In the course of China's protracted and most arduous revolutionary struggles, Chairman Mao formulated a proletarian military line for our Army and fostered a whole set of fine traditions of a people's army, thus enabling our Army to grow steadily in strength and leading us to advance from victory to victory. The broad masses of commanders and fighters of our Army have boundless admiration for and matchless faith in the great leader Chairman Mao and have extremely profound proletarian feelings for him. Standing guard

by his side, we the Peking units directly received his loving care and profound education. Our great leader Chairman Mao made many extremely important instructions concerning the building of both the leading bodies and the troops of our units as well as operations, defense, combat training and other aspects. Particularly at the crucial moments of the two-line struggle in the Party, he showed us the orientation of advance in good time. Moreover, Chairman Mao reviewed our troops on many occasions, received many of our cadres and fighters, inspected our units and worked together with us at the construction site of the Ming Tombs Reservoir. All this will remain in the memory of our commanders and fighters forever. It will, as always, be a source of tremendous inspiration for us in our advance. The hearts of Chairman Mao and the people beat in unison. We will remember Chairman Mao forever.

The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities of our country, to the revolutionary people the world over and to the international communist movement. We are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee and turn our grief into strength and carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, defend the victories won in the great proletarian cultural revolution, further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and constantly develop the favorable situation of revolution. We will rally more closely round the Party Central Committee and at all times and under all situations, perseveringly carry out the orders of the Party Central Committee, obey its commands in all our actions and forever put our units under the absolute leadership of the Party. We will heighten our vigilance a hundredfold, stick to our posts, strengthen preparedness against war, and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude. We are determined to wipe them out at the spot where they intrude. We will resolutely suppress domestic class enemies who dare to make trouble. We are determined to liberate Taiwan. We pledge to safeguard the Party Central Committee, the capital and the great socialist motherland with solid action. We will not fail Chairman Mao's consistent teachings, but will make strenuous efforts to study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works and the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, firmly strengthen army building according to Chairman Mao's idea and line of army building, unite as one to seize new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, seize still greater victories in the anti-quake and relief work and in socialist revolution and construction and strive for the victory of the cause of communism!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Peking Units

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

On hearing the shocking news of the passing away of the esteemed and beloved leader and great teacher Chairman Mao, the entire body of commanders and fighters of our Sinkiang units feels great grief and expresses the deepest condolences.

Chairman Mao was the founder of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China and the wise leader of all nationalities of the country. He made ineffaceable contributions and immortal meritorious services to the Chinese revolutions and the world revolution. He was the great savior of all nationalities throughout the country and the red sun in our hearts. Although Chairman Mao has left us forever, his great thought and proletarian revolutionary line will continue to illuminate our road of advance and guide our course of victory. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities of our country and to the revolutionary people of all countries. We will turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, unite as one and work hard, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

We commanders and fighters fighting on the anti-revisionist forefront are determined to rally closely round the Party Central Committee, obey orders in all our actions, enhance the unity between the Army and the Government, between armymen and civilians and among various nationalities, heighten our vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, stand in battle array and be ready at all times to wipe out any enemy who dares to intrude, resolutely suppress the sabotage activities of domestic class enemies, consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and defend our socialist motherland so that the Party Central Committee may rest at ease.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Sinkiang Units

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With deepest grief, the Party committees at all levels of our units and the entire body of cadres, fighters, staff members and their dependents have repeatedly listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. From the leading organs to the basic units, the companies, and the border and coastal defense outposts, from the old fighters of the Red Army to the new recruits, all are immersed in immense sorrow. We stood at attention in front of the portrait of Chairman Mao in deep mourning of our esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher! The entire body of commanders and fighters of our units extend heartfelt sympathies to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing and Chairman Mao's relatives!

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people, and the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. Looking back over the emancipation of the people of our country, looking back over the course in which our Party and our Army grow up and develop in strength, and looking back over the combat course in which the Chinese revolution has gone from victory to victory, we see that all achievements have been made under Chairman Mao's wise leadership and are the great victories for Mao Tsetung Thought. The great invincible Mao Tsetung Thought guided us to win the great victory of the new democratic revolution and great victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction and particularly in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. The great Mao Tsetung Thought has been and will forever be the guiding light leading us to head for victories. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who personally founded the Chinese People's Liberation Army. It was under his personal command and orders that we waged the successive revolutionary wars, surmounted countless difficulties and setbacks, tided over the roaring waves, and won great victories one after another. It was the great leader Chairman Mao's idea and line of army building that guided our Army to constantly forge ahead in triumph on the road of revolution.

Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over, and to the cause of communism. The great leader Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions and eternal meritorious services in inheriting, defending and developing Marxism-Leninism will be immortal. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to the Chinese revolution and the cause of world revolution.

Although the great leader Chairman Mao has left us, he will live forever in the hearts of all Chinese people and all revolutionary people of the world. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate the road of advance for the Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over!

In this moment of immense grief, we all commanders and fighters of our units are determined to respond to the call issued by the Party Central Committee and turn our grief into strength. We will forever carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao and will never fail to live up to Chairman Mao's consistent teachings. We will resolutely implement Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will closely rally round the Party Central Committee, resolutely uphold the unity and unification of the Party, perseveringly implement Chairman Mao's idea and line of army building, strengthen the building of the Army and the militia and give a fuller play to the dictatorship of the proletariat as the mainstay. We will unite as one, heighten our vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out any enemy who dares to intrude, and resolutely give telling blows to the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of all class enemies. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, carry out study intensively, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, surmount all difficulties, strive to carry out various tasks well, win new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, strive to win still greater victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction and struggle for the ultimate realization of communism.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Shenyang Units

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With deepest grief, the leading comrades of the Party committee of our units and the broad masses of cadres, fighters, staff members and their dependents have again and again listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. We deeply feel that the passing away of Chairman Mao, the great leader of the Chinese people and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people, is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities of our country, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. All comrades of our units are immersed in immense grief and deeply mourn for the esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao. We sincerely extend our heartfelt sympathy to Chairman Mao's close comrades-in-arms Comrade Chiang Ch'ing and his relatives.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our great socialist motherland and the greatest Marxist and proletarian revolutionary of the contemporary era. It was under the wise leadership of Chairman Mao and under the guidance of Mao Tsetung Thought that our Party, our Army and our country have made the achievements today. In the past half a century and more, Chairman Mao led the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country to win in the course of acute and complex class struggle and two-line struggle a great victory of the new democratic revolution and seize great victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, particularly in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and in smashing the conspiracy of Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing to subvert the dictatorship of the proletariat and restore capitalism. He initiated in the international communist movement the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of the world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism and pushed the history of mankind forward. In the protracted revolutionary struggles, Chairman Mao incisively summed up the practice of the Chinese revolution and the world revolution, put forward a series of scientific theses, inherited, defended and developed Marxism, enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory and indicated the orientation of struggle for the Chinese people and revolutionary people the world over. Chairman Mao's whole life has been a revolutionary, combatant and glorious one. Chairman Mao selflessly dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed people the world over, and to the cause of communism. The magnificent contributions he made to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the whole world will forever be written down in the glorious history of revolution. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever light up the way of advance for the Chinese people. The Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over love him from the bottom of their hearts and have boundless admiration and respect for him. He will live forever in our hearts.

Cadres and fighters of our units unanimously voice their determination to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn their grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and strive for the ultimate realization of communism. We will resolutely uphold the unity and unification of the Party and closely rally round the Party Central Committee. We will assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the victories of the great proletarian cultural revolution, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will unswervingly implement Chairman Mao's line of army building, strengthen the building of our Army and the militia, heighten our vigilance

a hundredfold, effectively foster the preparedness against war, stick to our posts and stand in battle array to insure the achievement of all combatant tasks the Party Central Committee has entrusted us and to wipe out resolutely, thoroughly, wholly and completely all enemies who dare to intrude.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Tsinan Units

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We are shocked to hear the unfortunate news of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the esteemed and beloved leader of our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed people. Our hearts are filled with grief beyond description. No words are enough to tell the love from the bottom of our hearts and the boundless admiration and respect we have for Chairman Mao. All commanders and fighters, staff members and their dependents of the army, navy and air forces of our Fukien front express the deepest mourning for the passing away of our esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country. In the course of successive struggles with the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, Chairman Mao led our Party to constantly strengthen the building of the Party so that our Party grew from a small one into a big one, from a weak one into a strong one, developed and grew in strength and became a great, glorious and correct Party. Chairman Mao closely combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution and creatively laid down the general line and policy of the new democratic revolution. At every crucial moment of the Chinese revolution, it was Chairman Mao who righted the course of revolution. Chairman Mao built in the Chinggang Mountains the first revolutionary base, using the countryside to encircle the city and seizing political power with force. He founded the matchless revolutionary armed force of the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army. He opened for the Chinese revolution a bright road which bears great historical significance. Chairman Mao enkindled in Fukien the flames of revolutionary armed struggles of the Chinggang Mountains, opened up a revolutionary base in west Fukien, wrote the resplendent Resolution of the Kut'ien Conference and formulated a great program for the building of our Party and our Army. Under his wise leadership and through protracted and arduous struggles, a great victory was won in the new democratic revolution and the People's Republic of China was founded. In the period of socialist revolution, with the great wisdom of Marxism-Leninism, Chairman Mao comprehensively summed up the positive as well as the negative experience of the international communist movement, penetratingly expounded

the law and characteristics of class struggles in the period of socialism, drew the scientific thesis that the bourgeoisie is right inside the Communist Party, and put forward the great theory of continuing revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. Guided by Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, our Party, our Army and the people throughout the country seized great victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction, particularly in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Biao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and turned the "poor and blank," semi-feudal, semi-colonial old China into a socialist new China with initial prosperity. Looking back over the combat course of the Chinese revolution, we miss all the more our esteemed and beloved leader Chairman Mao. Without Chairman Mao's wise leadership, there cannot be our great Party, our people's army and our great socialist motherland and the people of all nationalities of our country cannot live in happiness as they do today.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. With the great boldness and vision of a proletarian revolutionary, he initiated in the international communist movement the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of the world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed the history of mankind forward. Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, wrote an extremely brilliant chapter in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement, enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory and indicated the orientation of struggle for the Chinese people and revolutionary people the world over.

The great leader Chairman Mao has gone forever. His great revolutionary spirit of fighting for the cause of communism till his last breath and the magnificent contributions he made to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the whole world are immortal. The great invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will shine forever and light up the way of advance for the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in the heart of each of our commanders and fighters and in the hearts of Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world.

At this moment of immense grief, we are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, and persevere in continuing revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will strengthen the Party leadership, resolutely defend the unity and unification of the Party, closely rally round the Party Central Committee and obey orders in all our actions. We will grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war, and seek new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and still greater victories in seizing the socialist revolution and socialist construction. We will never fail to live up to the consistent teachings of the great

leader Chairman Mao. We will adhere to Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

We are situated at the south-eastern forefront of the motherland facing Taiwan, Penghu, Quemoy and Matsu. We will resolutely implement Chairman Mao's line of army building, carry forward the thoroughgoing revolutionary spirit of the Ching Kang Mountains, advance in the direction charted by the Resolution of the Kut'ien Conference, strengthen the building of the Army and the militia, enhance the unity between the Army and the Government and between the army men and the civilians, constitute a joint defense of the army and the people, effectively strengthen the preparedness against war, heighten our vigilance a hundredfold, stand in battle array and be ready at all times to wipe out any enemy who dares to intrude. We are determined to liberate Taiwan and fulfill the grand cause of unification of the motherland. We will make contributions toward defending and developing the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat and safeguarding the great socialist motherland.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao
Tse-tung!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Foochow Units

September 9, 1976

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Messages from Party and Revolutionary Committees of Hunan, Hopei, Shansi, Shensi, Kansu, Kiangsu, Chekiang and Kwangtung Provinces, of Ninghsia, Kwangsi and Tibet Autonomous Regions and Party Committees of the PLA Lanchow, Nanking and Kwangchow Units to the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee

(Peking Jen-min Jih-pao, September 12, 1976)

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Chairman Mao, the great leader and teacher whom our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities hold in boundless admiration and respect, left us forever at 00:10 hours, September 9, 1976! This sad news filled the army men and civilians throughout Hunan province, Chairman Mao's hometown, with immense sorrow. No words can describe our grief. With profound proletarian feelings, we deeply mourn for our most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era, the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China, and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. For more than half a century, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, and during the protracted struggles against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party and against the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and wrote an extremely brilliant page in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement. During the period of the socialist revolution, Chairman Mao put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, pointed out that there still are classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation in the ownership of the means of production has been completed in the main, drew up the scientific thesis that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, personally initiated and led the great proletarian cultural revolution and the great struggles to criticize Lin Biao and Confucius, to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, solved theoretically and practically the problem of consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat and preventing capitalist restoration, which is a major problem in the contemporary international communist movement, and made great contributions of world historic significance. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese of all nationalities, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. The Party Central Committee's "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" has fully expressed the boundless admiration and respect and the

deep grief of the Party organizations at all levels, the PLA units and the people of all nationalities throughout Hunan province for the great leader Chairman Mao.

The people of Hunan were the first to bathe in the sunshine of Mao Tsetung Thought and had boundless for Chairman Mao. During the period of the May 4 Movement, Chairman Mao took Hunan as a base and the Hsin Min Hsüeh Hui (Society of the New Masses) as a core, led the people of all walks of life to carry out anti-imperialist and anti-feudal struggles, disseminated Marxism-Leninism and organized communist groups, making important ideological preparations and training cadres for the founding of the Communist Party of China. After the Party was founded, Chairman Mao personally set up in Hunan the first Party branch, established the CCP Hunan Regional Committee and founded the Hunan Self-Teaching University; he led the Anyuan coal miners and the Changsha building workers in a series of strikes; he ignited the fire of peasant movement at Shaoshan; he inspected the peasant movements in five counties, namely, Hsiangt'an, Hsianghsiang, Hengshan, Liling and Ch'angsha, wrote the brilliant "Report on An Investigation of the Peasant Movement in Hunan" and led the great rural revolution throughout the country with Hunan as its center; on the Hunan-Kiangsi borders, he personally initiated and led the well-known Autumn Harvest Uprising, built the first Worker-Peasant Red Army, promulgated the "Three Main Rules of Discipline and Eight Points for Attention," founded the first revolutionary base in the countryside, and opened the only correct road of seizing political power by armed force, building rural base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing the cities. After the new China was founded, at every critical moment in socialist revolution and construction, Chairman Mao came personally to Hunan to inspect our work, pointing out to us in good time the orientation for our advance. Especially during the great proletarian cultural revolution and the movement to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, he came to Hunan on many occasions and gave a great deal of very important instructions, showing us immense loving care and tremendously educating and inspiring the people throughout Hunan. Vast are the heaven and earth, but they are not so vast as Chairman Mao's benevolence to us; dear are our parents to us, but Chairman Mao is dearer to us. Reviewing the militant course of the Chinese revolution and the international communist movement of the present era and reviewing the history of the revolutionary struggle of the people of Hunan, we see that all our victories were won under Chairman Mao's wise leadership and were great victories for Mao Tsetung Thought. Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance.

Chairman Mao devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and people of the world and the cause of communism. The magnificent contributions Chairman Mao made to the Chinese people and to the international proletariat and the people of the world are immortal. In firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, we will turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, resolutely

safeguard the unity and unification of the Party, consolidate the great unity of the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country, stick to our posts and obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions. We will strengthen preparedness against war, heighten vigilance, consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely hit at the sabotage activities of the handful of class enemies. We will make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, assiduously study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle of repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, make a still greater success of the socialist revolution and construction in Chairman Mao's hometown and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end.

Chairman Mao will forever be the red sun in our hearts and will live forever in our hearts.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Hunan Provincial Committee
and the Hunan Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief we listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. The CCP Hopei Provincial Committee, the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary Committee and the Communist Party members and the people throughout Hopei province unanimously mourn with deepest grief over the passing away of Chairman Mao Tse-tung, our esteemed and beloved great leader and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples.

Chairman Mao whom we loved from the bottom of our hearts and held in boundless admiration and respect, was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country. During the protracted struggles in the Chinese revolution, Chairman Mao upheld the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism and combined it with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, laying down for us the correct line and policy, leading us to defeat the class enemies at home and abroad and both inside and outside the Party and winning great victories one after another. The victory of the

new democratic revolution led by Chairman Mao changed the situation of the East and the world and opened a new road for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples. Chairman Mao led us to continue the revolution and advance in the wake of victory, seizing great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, in particular, great victories in the great proletarian cultural revolution, the criticism of Lin Biao and Confucius, the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. Upholding socialism and consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat in China, a populous country with a vast territory, was a great contribution of world historic significance Chairman Mao made to the present era. At the same time, it has provided fresh experience for the international communist movement in combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, preventing capitalist restoration and building socialism. All our victories were won under Chairman Mao's leadership; they are all great victories for Mao Tsetung Thought and for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, basing himself on the principle of integrating the university truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, and in the course of protracted struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and both inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism. During the period of the new democratic revolution, Chairman Mao suggested following the road of seizing political power by armed force, building rural base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing the cities. During the period of the socialist revolution, he, for the first time in the history of development of Marxism, unequivocally pointed out that there are still classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and laid down the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism, thereby enriching the treasure-house of Marxist theory and indicating to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world the orientation for their struggles. With the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, he launched in the international communist movement the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed the history of mankind forward. Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life and made immortal, magnificent contributions to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world and to the cause of communism.

During these days of deep grief, we miss very much the loving care the great leader Chairman Mao had for the people of Hopei province. At the crucial moment when the liberation war developed in triumph, the great leader Chairman Mao came to Hsipop'o and personally commanded the Liaohsi-Shenyang, Peking-Tientsin and Huaihai campaigns, burying the Chiang

Dynasty and winning nationwide liberation. On the eve of the nationwide victory, he personally presided over the great historic Second Plenary Session of the Seventh Central Committee of the Party at Hsipop'o and pointed out to the whole Party and the people throughout the country the great task and brilliant course of transition from the new democratic revolution to the socialist revolution. During the socialist upsurge in China's countryside, Chairman Mao highly praised the revolutionary action of the three households of poor peasants at Nanwangchuang village in Anp'ing county in perseveringly running the cooperative, and pointed out that this was the orientation for the 500 million peasants. He called the "pauper" spirit of Hsip'u village in Tsunhua county "the pattern for the whole country." During the years of the great leap forward, he presided over the charting of the "Resolution of the CCP Central Committee Concerning the Problem of Establishing People's Communes in the Countryside," and laid down the correct line, directive and policy for the vigorously developing campaign of people's communes at that time. At the grave moment when a counter-revolutionary adverse current was stirred up at home and abroad in 1962, the great leader Chairman Mao personally presided over the Working Conference of the Party Central Committee held at Peitaiho and issued the militant call "Never forget class struggle." Immediately after that, at the 10th Plenary Session of the 8th Central Committee of the Party, he again put forth the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism. This line, like a bright beacon, has illuminated our road of advance. When China was ravaged by flood, the like of which was rarely seen in the past century, Chairman Mao issued the great call "The Haiho River must be put under permanent control," drawing for us the great blueprint of changing heaven and earth. He inspected Hopei province on many occasions and gave many instructions of vital importance, deeply educating and tremendously inspiring the people of Hopei province. Recently, when a strong earthquake struck the Tangshan-Fengnan area, the great leader Chairman Mao showed utmost concern for the people of the stricken area, the Party Central Committee cabled us a telegram of sympathy, sent a delegation to extend cordial regards to us and set up the headquarters for anti-quake and relief work. The People's Liberation Army, the fraternal provinces, municipalities and autonomous regions and the people of all nationalities throughout the country promptly gave us vigorous support in all aspects. Within a short time, a tremendous victory was won in anti-quake and relief work. With the loving care shown by Chairman Mao, the Party Central Committee called in Peking the Conference of Representatives of Advanced Units and Individuals in Overcoming Effects of Earthquake That Struck Tangshan-Fengnan Area, enabling us to fortify our determination and confidence in overcoming the natural disaster and in developing production and rebuilding our homes through arduous struggle and self-reliance, and giving an impetus to the victorious progress of the anti-quake struggle and relief work in our province.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world and to the international communist movement. We will turn our grief into strength, always remember Chairman Mao's great teachings and carry on in future generations the cause left behind by Chairman Mao. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and

persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, resolutely defend the Party's unity and unification and rally closely round the Party Central Committee. We will firmly carry out the principle of combining the old, the middle-aged and the young. We will continue to penetratingly carry out the struggles to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. We will consolidate and develop the fruits of victory won during the great cultural revolution, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate and strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will maintain independence, keep the initiative in our own hands, rely on our own efforts, uphold the policy of plain living and hard struggle, go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. We will firmly carry out Chairman Mao's line of army building and strengthen army building and militia building. We will firmly carry out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line of foreign affairs, uphold the proletarian internationalism, strengthen our revolutionary unity with the people of all countries in the world and carry the struggle against imperialism, revisionism and reaction through to the end. We will conscientiously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, diligently study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, uphold Marxism, oppose revisionism and strive to build our country into a powerful socialist state and to achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

The Communist Party of China founded by Chairman Mao himself is a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party. Our Party Central Committee has stood protracted revolutionary struggles, especially the struggles during the great proletarian cultural revolution and the struggles to criticize Lin Piao and Confucius, to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. We, the Party organizations at all levels and the broad masses of Party members, cadres and revolutionary people of Hopei province, firmly believe that the Party Central Committee can surely lead the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country to carry the cause of proletarian revolution initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end. We firmly support the leadership of the Party Central Committee and rally closely round the Party Central Committee. We will take class struggle as the key link, unite as one, stick to our posts, heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the class enemies at home. We firmly believe that: Under the correct leadership of the Party Central Committee, we can definitely win new victories in the anti-quake and relief work, seize still greater victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and win still greater victories in socialist revolution and construction and in the cause of communism.

The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts.

The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever light up our road of advance.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Hopei Provincial Committee,
the Hopei Provincial Revolutionary
Committee and the Hopei Provincial
Military Command

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With deep grief we listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the whole Army and the people of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee at 4 p.m., September 9. We are filled with immense grief over the loss of our most esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao. For more than half a century, the great leader Chairman Mao led the people of the whole country to win great victories of China's new democratic revolution and socialist revolution and change the situation of the East and the world. The oppressed nations and peoples the world over yearned toward Peking. The great leader Chairman Mao was the most outstanding proletarian revolutionary of the present era. He founded our great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China, the great Chinese People's Liberation Army and the great People's Republic of China. He was the greatest Marxist of the present era and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. He inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, put forth the great thesis of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, pointed out the orientation of struggle for the international communist movement and for the cause of combating and preventing revisionism, and made great contributions of world historic significance. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people and to the international proletarian and the revolutionary people of all countries. At this moment of immense grief, we miss very much the great leader Chairman Mao's great revolutionary practice in Shansi province and his loving care for the people of Shansi. In 1947, Chairman Mao wrote an inscription "A great life, a glorious death" for martyr Liu Hu-lan, inspiring millions of heroic young people to fight bravely for the liberation of the whole of China. In 1948, he visited Shansi and delivered the "Speech at A Conference of Cadres in the Shansi-Suiyuan Liberated Area," profoundly expounding the Party's general line and general policy during the period of the new democratic revolution. After entering the period of socialist revolution, Chairman Mao again gave a series of brilliant instructions on the agricultural cooperative movement in our province. Particularly in 1964, he issued the great call "In agriculture, learn from Tachai," which guided the hundreds of millions of the Chinese peasants to advance bravely along the road of continued revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. During the great proletarian cultural revolution, he once again gave our province a series of important instructions, guiding us to advance from victory to victory in the course of the

acute and complicated class struggle and two-line struggle. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts, the great Mao Tsetung Thought will illuminate our revolutionary course forever and Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line will always guide us to go on advancing. In firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, we will turn our grief into strength, carry on with boundless loyalty the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, firmly and unswervingly implement Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, go all out to fulfill the various demands put forth by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee in their "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country," and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will make more strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and strive to realize the Party's basic program, to build our country into a powerful socialist state, to make still greater contributions toward mankind and to achieve the ultimate goal of communism. We will rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, firmly obey the combat orders of the Party Central Committee and its unified command, and safeguard the Party's unity and unification as we protect our eyes. We will act on the strategic dispositions and principles laid down by the Party Central Committee, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, and consciously restrict bourgeois rights. We will firmly grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, heighten revolutionary vigilance, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely suppress the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. We will seize new victories in the struggles to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and win still greater victories in socialist revolution and construction.

The CCP Shansi Provincial Committee,
the Shansi Provincial Revolutionary
Committee and the Shansi Provincial
Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief we deeply mourn the passing away of our esteemed
and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our great socialist motherland, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, and the greatest Marxist of the present era. He made magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the world. His passing away is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement.

At this moment of immense grief, we recall the 13 years during which the great leader Chairman Mao led us to fight in Yen-an. This aroused all the more our boundless memories, admiration and love for him. In 1935, Chairman Mao led the Chinese Worker-Peasant Red Army to North Shensi in triumph, safeguarding the revolutionary base area in North Shensi which was in a crisis caused by the sabotage of the opportunist line, and turning Yen-an and the Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia borders into the rears of the Chinese revolution and into the revolutionary sacred land which the Chinese people and the people of the world yearned to. In a dwelling cave in Yen-an, Chairman Mao wrote a series of brilliant Marxist-Leninist works, lay down the correct theory, line, directive and policy for the Chinese revolution and illuminating the triumphant course of the Chinese revolution. In Yen-an, he led the whole Party to launch a great rectification movement, settling accounts completely with the opportunist line pushed by Ch'en Tu-hsiu, Ch'ü Ch'iu-po, Li Li-san, Lo Chang-lung, Wang Ming and Chang Kuo-t'ao, educating the broad masses of cadres, uniting the whole Party and laying a firm foundation for the victory of the Chinese revolution. During these years of great hardships, Chairman Mao led us to launch a great movement for production which provided the people in the order areas with ample food and clothing, thereby defeating the economic blockade laid down by the Kuomintang reactionaries and fostering the Yen-an spirit of self-reliance, plain living and hard struggle. Here, Chairman Mao led the army-men and civilians of the whole country to wage the great War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression and the Liberation War, to defeat the Japanese imperialists, overthrow the Chiang Dynasty and found the great People's Republic of China. We can still remember clearly that during the days when he was extremely busy commanding the nationwide revolutionary struggle, Chairman Mao showed constant concern for the Yen-an people and often received the masses of Yen-an heartily. His heart beat in unison with those of the people of Yen-an. Thinking of all these, we are deeply stirred. Vast are the heaven and the earth, but they are not so vast as Chairman Mao's benevolence to us; dear are our parents to us, but Chairman Mao was dearer to us.

After the nationwide liberation, Chairman Mao constantly showed concern for the Yen-an people and sent the brilliant "Reply Telegram" to the people of Yen-an and of the Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia borders, exhorting us to maintain "the style of plain living and hard struggle" forever and to persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. Under the guidance of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, the people of Shensi displayed the revolutionary spirit of Yen-an and waged repeated struggles against Kao Kang and P'eng Te-huai; they waged heated

struggle against the counter-revolutionary revisionist line pushed by Liu Shao-ch'i and his agents in Northwest China and Shensi, and won great victories. In particular, at the crucial moment when Liu Shao-ch'i and his agents in Northwest China and Shensi were vigorously pushing the bourgeois reactionary line and wildly suppressing the revolutionary masses during the great proletarian cultural revolution, Chairman Mao gave important instructions in good time, pointing out the orientation of struggle for the broad masses and uncovering their sinister plot. He also sent here the People's Liberation Army to "support the broad masses of the Left groups" and gave the important instructions that "Holding heart-to-heart talks is a very good method," thereby greatly cementing the unity among the revolutionary masses, accelerating the realization of the revolutionary great alliance and the revolutionary three-in-one combination and guaranteeing the triumphant development of the great proletarian cultural revolution in our province. In a nutshell, all our victories were an outcome of Chairman Mao's wise leadership and were victories for Mao Tsetung Thought. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. Mao Tsetung Thought will always be the beacon lighting up our road of advance to victory.

We will firmly respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will rally more closely round the Party Central Committee and obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions. We will conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, deeply comprehend Chairman Mao's scientific thesis that the bourgeoisie "is right in the Communist Party," deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and continue to carry out the great struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, rely on our own efforts, fight against hardships and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. We will strengthen building of the Army and the militia, heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We will conscientiously and assiduously study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, continue to heighten our consciousness in carrying out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, devote ourselves to Mao Tsetung Thought forever, display the Yen-an revolutionary spirit, overcome all difficulties by fighting with the same vigor, the same enthusiasm and the same all-out spirit as we did when we followed Chairman Mao in making revolution in the past, and fight vigorously to realize the basic program of our Party.

Eternal glory to our esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Shensi Provincial Committee and
the Shensi Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 10, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Shocked to learn the sad news of the passing away of Chairman Mao, our esteemed and beloved great leader and the great teacher of the revolutionary people the world over, we the 18 million people of all nationalities from the Lungtung Highland to the Hohsi Corridor and from the banks of the Yellow River to the banks of the Pailung River were immediately immersed in boundless sorrow. With tears in our eyes, we listened in again and again to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, and were deeply grieved over the loss of our leader whom we held in boundless admiration and respect. Our sadness is beyond description. We mourn with the deepest grief and sincerity the loss of Chairman Mao, and extend our most cordial regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing. Although Chairman Mao has left us forever, yet his brilliant image will live forever in our hearts, and the invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will always illuminate our road of advance to victory.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China and the greatest Marxist of the present era. Without Chairman Mao, there cannot be the Communist Party of China; without Chairman Mao, there cannot be the People's Liberation Army; without Chairman Mao, there cannot be the socialist new China; without Chairman Mao, we have nothing of our own today. Dear are our parents to us, but Chairman Mao was dearer to us; vast are the heaven and the earth, but they are not so vast as Chairman Mao's benevolence to us. Chairman Mao was our great savior. We will never forget Chairman Mao for the future generations. For more than half a century, Chairman Mao devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples the world over, and the great cause of communism. He inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, tremendously enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory. No appraisal of Chairman Mao's historic, magnificent contributions to the Chinese revolution and the world revolution can be too high, and no description can be full. The Chinese nation is proud to have such a great and wise leader as Chairman Mao. He is the pride of the proletariat and the revolutionary people the world over.

At the grievous moment when the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country deeply mourn the loss of Chairman Mao, we are determined to turn our grief into strength, to firmly respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, to carry on the cause left behind by the great leader Chairman Mao, to assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, to persist in taking class struggle as the key link, to keep to the Party's basic line, to persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, to strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, to firmly safeguard the Party's unity and unification, to rally closely round the Party Central Committee, to combat and prevent revisionism, to deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, to continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt

at reversing verdicts, to consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, to carry out well the socialist revolution in the two aspects, that is, the superstructure and the economic base, to heighten vigilance, to strengthen preparedness against war, to firmly hit at the sabotage activities of the class enemies at home and abroad, to defend Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line at all costs, to further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and to carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Kansu Provincial Committee and
the Kansu Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Upon hearing the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, the broad masses of Communist Party members and the people of all nationalities of our autonomous region were shocked to learn of the passing away of our esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao. We could not restrain the immense grief in our hearts. With tears in our eyes, we stood at attention in silent tribute and deeply mourned over Chairman Mao. The comrades' grief was beyond description.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country, the great teacher of the revolutionary people the world over and the greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, Chairman Mao led the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country to win great victories of the new democratic revolution and seize great victories in socialist revolution and construction. Chairman Mao led our Party to defeat the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party in the past and, in particular, to defeat the counter-revolutionary revisionist line pushed by Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing during the great cultural revolution, and to win great victories in the great cultural revolution, in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. In the international communist movement, he launched the struggle to criticize and repudiate modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, motivated the vigorous development of the cause of world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed forward the progress of the history of mankind. In the protracted struggles against

the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples the world over and the cause of communism, and made magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people the world over.

Chairman Mao was the great savior of the people of all nationalities throughout the country. When he crossed Mount Liupan during the Long March, Chairman Mao wrote a heroic and beautiful poem, "Mount Liupan -- to the tune of Ch'ing P'ing Yueh." During the initial period after the founding of the new China, in his "Reply Telegram" to the people of Yanan and in the Shensi-Kansu-Ninghsia borders, Chairman Mao called on us to maintain forever the "style of plain living and hard struggle." In 1961, he wrote an inscription of this poem for our autonomous region, inspiring the people of all nationalities in our region to display the revolutionary spirit of "If we fail to reach the Great Wall we are not men," and to seize new victories in socialist revolution and construction. Since the great proletarian cultural revolution, the people of all nationalities in our region have marched forward from victory to victory under the guidance of the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions. Chairman Mao's benevolence to the people of all nationalities is high as the mountain and deep as the sea. Without Chairman Mao, the people of all nationalities cannot lead a happy life today.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is the biggest loss and an inestimable loss to the Chinese revolution and the world revolution. Chairman Mao has left us forever. But, his brilliant thinking and revolutionary line will forever illuminate our road of advance. Chairman Mao will live forever in the hearts of the people of all nationalities.

We will, in firm response to the great call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, safeguard the Party's unity and unification, support all decisions of the Party Central Committee, obey all commands of the Party Central Committee, and support and defend the Party Central Committee. We will rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, assiduously study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, firmly and unswervingly continue to advance along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, strengthen the unity of the people of all nationalities, surmount all difficulties, grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, seize new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and in socialist revolution and construction, and consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution. Our autonomous region is situated in the northwestern borders and the anti-revisionist forefront. We will heighten revolutionary vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to

invade, and safeguard the Party Central Committee and the socialist motherland. We will resolutely hit at all sabotage activities of class enemies and further strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat.

We will never fail to live up to the great leader Chairman Mao's consistent teachings. We will unite as one to surmount difficulties and, under the wise leadership of the Party Central Committee, carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end and strive hard for the ultimate realization of communism.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of Ninghsia Hui
Autonomous Region and the Revolutionary
Committee of Ninghsia Hui Autonomous
Region

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We were shocked to learn of the passing away of Chairman Mao. We are filled with immense grief over the loss of our esteemed and beloved leader and great teacher. Chairman Mao's benevolence to us is high as the sky and deep as the sea. No words can express our boundless love and admiration for him nor our deep memories and mourning for him.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era and the great savior of the Chinese people. For more than half a century, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and made huge contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people the world over. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to the whole Party, the whole Army and the whole Chinese people and to the revolutionary people of the world. Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions are immortal. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. The sunshine and dew of Mao Tsetung Thought will continue to nurture us. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will always illuminate our road of advance.

We will never fail to live up to Chairman Mao's consistent teachings and his eager hopes on us. In firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, we will turn grief into strength, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, advance in triumph along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao

through to the end. We will carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will firmly support the leadership of the Party Central Committee and the Party's unity and unification, and obey the unified commands of the Party Central Committee. We will strengthen study, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will stick to our posts, grasp revolution and promote production, go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economic results in building socialism. We will heighten vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and strictly guard against and resolutely hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the class enemies. We are determined to raise still higher the great flag of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, unite as one, and strive hard to win new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and still greater victories in the cause of communism!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Kiangsu Provincial Committee
and the Kiangsu Provincial
Revolutionary Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief we the broad masses of Party members, cadres and the people throughout the province listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the Party Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. The passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss. We express the deepest mourning over the loss of him.

The great leader Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our great socialist motherland and the greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, and in the protracted struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and wrote an extremely brilliant page in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement. Chairman Mao led us to win great victories in the new democratic revolution. After entering the period of socialist revolution, he drew the scientific conclusion that there still are classes and class struggle in the period of

socialism and the bourgeois is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism and guided us to win great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius and the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and in repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, and to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people the world over are immortal. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts.

At this moment of immense grief, we, in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, will turn our grief into strength, carry on with determination the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will firmly safeguard the Party's unity and unification, rally closely round the Party Central Committee and obey the commands of the Party Central Committee in all our actions. We will strengthen study, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will carry out in a deep-going and sustained manner the three great revolutionary movements in accordance with Chairman Mao's note on the seven well-written documents of our province concerning cadres' participation in physical labor: "Class struggle, the struggle for production and scientific experiment are the three great revolutionary movements for building a mighty socialist country. These movements are a sure guarantee that Communists will be free from bureaucracy and immune against revisionism and dogmatism, and will forever remain invincible. They are a reliable guarantee that the proletariat will be able to unite with the broad working masses and realize a democratic dictatorship." Chekiang province is situated in the southeastern coasts. We will strengthen building of the Army and the militia, heighten revolutionary vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and smash the sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. We will assiduously study the works of Marx, Lenin and Chairman Mao, unite as one, stick to our posts, display our revolutionary spirit, work vigorously to surmount all difficulties, grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by the great leader Chairman Mao through to the end.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Chekiang Provincial Committee
and the Chekiang Provincial
Revolutionary Committee

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

All Communist Party members and the people of Kwangtung province express the deepest mourning with immense grief over the passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, and extend the most cordial regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, and in the protracted struggles against the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and wrote an extremely brilliant page in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement. Chairman Mao founded the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China, the great Chinese People's Liberation Army and the great People's Republic of China. Chairman Mao creatively formulated the general line and general policy for the new democratic revolution and led the Chinese people to win great victories in the new democratic revolution. For the first time in the history of development of Marxism, Chairman Mao unequivocally pointed out that there still are classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation has been completed in the main in the ownership of the means of production, formulated the scientific thesis that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism, and led the Chinese people to win great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right-deviation attempt at reversing verdicts. Chairman Mao summed up the revolutionary practice of the international communist movement, put forth a series of scientific theses, enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory, pointed out to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world the orientation of struggle, and pushed the history of mankind forward. All victories of the Chinese people have been won under Chairman Mao's leadership, are great victories for Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and for Mao Tsetung Thought. Our most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, to the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples the world over, and to the cause of communism. The magnificent contributions Chairman Mao made to the Chinese people, to the international proletariat and to the revolutionary people of the world are immortal.

The people of Kwangtung province will never forget that during the initial period after the founding of the Party and during the period of the First Revolutionary Civil War, the great leader Chairman Mao visited Kwangtung many times, attended the Party's Third Congress in Kwangchow, charted for our Party the correct policy of building a revolutionary front, operated the Peasant Movement Institute, fostered a large group of revolutionary cadres, wrote the brilliant article "Analysis of the Classes in Chinese Society,"

pointed out the course of the Chinese revolution and pushed forward the vigorous development of the Chinese revolutionary movement. During the various periods of the revolutionary wars, Chairman Mao showed great concern for the revolutionary struggle in Kwangtung and gave many instructions of vital importance. After the founding of the new China, he again inspected Kwangtung many times and gave heart-warming teachings on the socialist revolution and construction in Kwangtung, which deeply educated and tremendously inspired the people of Kwangtung. Chairman Mao's loving care and consistent teachings will be engraved forever in the hearts of the people throughout Kwangtung province. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance.

The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. At this moment of boundless grief, we, in firm response to the call of the Party Central committee, will turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee, strengthen the Party's centralized leadership and firmly safeguard the Party's unity and unification. We will unite as one, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights, and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will stick to our posts, heighten our revolutionary vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely hit at the sabotage activities of class enemies at home and abroad. We will go all out, aim high, achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism, build our country into a powerful socialist state, and strive to carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Kwangtung Provincial Committee
and the Kwangtung Provincial
Revolutionary Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

The people of all nationalities in Kwangsi were shocked and fell into immense grief upon hearing the news that Chairman Mao, the esteemed and beloved great leader of our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples had died of illness. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. We are in southern China, but we yearn for Peking. With deepest grief, we express mourning over the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao whom we loved from the bottom of our hearts and held in boundless admiration and respect.

Our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of the Communist Party of China, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China and the greatest Marxist of the present era. It was Chairman Mao who led us to defeat the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, so that our Party continued to develop and grow up in strength in the course of class struggle and two-line struggle, and becomes a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist Party leading the People's Republic of China today. It was Chairman Mao who, basing himself on the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism and integrating it with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, led our Party, our Army and the Chinese people to use the people's war to overthrow the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, to win great victories in the new democratic revolution and to found the People's Republic of China. It was Chairman Mao who comprehensively summed up the experience of both the positive and the negative sides in the international communist movement, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted the Party's basic line, and guided us to win great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. It was Chairman Mao who pointed out to the revolutionary people of the world the orientation of struggle, launched the great struggle to criticize and repudiate modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed the history of mankind forward. It was Chairman Mao who inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and made immortal, magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, to the international proletariat and to the revolutionary people the world over.

Reviewing the course of revolution paced by the people of all nationalities in Kwangsi, we see that each step was put forward under the guidance of Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. Each of our victories has been won under Chairman Mao's leadership and is a great victory for Mao Tsetung Thought. The people of all nationalities in Kwangsi will never

forget that in the unforgettable year of 1958, Chairman Mao came personally to Kwangsi to preside over the historic Nanning Conference, wrote a letter conveying the important directive on running the Kwangsi Daily well, personally received the people of all nationalities in Kwangsi and led us to swim in Yungchiang River in winter. All these will forever inspire us to march forward bravely in the storm of class struggle and two-line struggle!

Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance.

At the moment of deepest mourning over the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, we the people of all nationalities in Kwangsi will, in firm response to the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, unite as one and stick to our posts. No matter what major events may occur at home and abroad and no matter what difficulties we may meet, we pledge to obey the unified command of the Party Central Committee in all our actions, keep to Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and carry the cause of proletarian revolution through to the end.

We are determined to take class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, continue to put the study of the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions in the first position, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to further strengthen the centralized leadership of the Party, firmly safeguard the Party's unity and unification, rally closely round the Party Central Committee, and strengthen Party building ideologically and organizationally in the course of the two-line struggle.

We are determined to unite further with the people of all nationalities throughout the autonomous region to uphold the policy of grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, deeply carry out the mass movement of learning from Tachai in agriculture and learning from Tach'ing in industry, and seize still greater victories in socialist revolution and construction through self-reliance and hard struggle. We will heighten vigilance and resolutely hit at the sabotage activities of class enemies. We will strengthen preparedness against war and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade.

We are determined to go on implementing Chairman Mao's line and policy in foreign affairs, uphold the proletarian internationalism and carry the struggle against imperialism, socialism and modern revisionism through to the end.

We are determined to make still more strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, to assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, to persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and to strive for building our country into a powerful socialist state and achieving the ultimate goal of communism.

We extend the most cordial regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing and Chairman Mao's relatives.

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of Kwangsi Chuang
Autonomous Region

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We the personnel of the Party, the Government and the Army and the people of all nationalities of Tibet Autonomous Region were shocked and filled with immense grief to learn that Chairman Mao, the most esteemed and beloved great leader of the Chinese people of all nationalities, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, and the wisest and great supreme commander of our Army had died of illness. This is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and to the revolutionary people the world over. We feel immense grief over the loss of the founder and leader of our Party, the founder and supreme commander of our Army, the founder and wise leader of our socialist motherland which is under the dictatorship of the proletariat, the great savior of the people of all nationalities and the greatest Marxist of the present era!

At the moment when the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of the whole country are in immense grief, we the people of all nationalities of Tibet mourn with boundless admiration and respect and with deepest grief over the great leader Chairman Mao. Chairman Mao showed utmost concern for the revolution and construction in Tibet. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who ordered and commanded the Chinese People's Liberation Army to enter Tibet and drive away the imperialist forces, so that Tibet returned to the embrace of the motherland, the unification of the mainland of the motherland was achieved, equality between nationalities was realized and the great unity among the people of all nationalities was strengthened. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who led the people of all nationalities in Tibet to put out the counter-revolutionary armed rebellion launched by the Dalai traitorous clique, to overthrow the most reactionary, the darkest, the most brutal and the most wicked feudal serfdom and to win a great victory of the democratic revolution. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who commanded the army and civilians of Tibet to repulse the aggression launched by imperialists and the foreign reactionaries and fortify the southwestern borders of the motherland. It was the great leader Chairman Mao who led the people of all nationalities of Tibet to carry out socialist transformation amid the strains of triumphant songs of the great proletarian cultural revolution, to establish people's communes, to further liberate productive forces, to push forward the development of all undertakings, to realize self-sufficiency of grain for the first time in the history of Tibet, to perform a miracle on the

roof of the world and to win great victories in socialist revolution and construction, so that the millions of serfs in Tibet who lived in a place like hell on earth won emancipation, became masters of the house and, jumping over a few centuries, advanced quickly from the feudal serfdom to socialism and led a happy life. All these victories made us feel that Chairman Mao's benevolence to us was high as the Himalayas and long as the Yalu Tsangpo River, and that we owe everything which we have today to Chairman Mao's wise leadership and that Chairman Mao was the great savior of the people of all nationalities in Tibet!

We are determined to turn our grief into strength and, in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, to rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the dictatorship of the proletariat, combat and prevent revisionism, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, realistically carry the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, consciously restrict bourgeois rights and further strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, to carry out practice conscientiously, to devote ourselves to Mao Tsetung Thought, to firmly and unswervingly carry out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and to advance in broad strides forever along the course indicated by Chairman Mao. We are determined to strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, to safeguard the Party's unity and unification, to conscientiously carry out the Party's nationalities policy and to consolidate the great unity among the people of all nationalities and the unity between the Army and the Government and between armymen and civilians. We are determined to grasp revolution and promote production, to stick to our posts, to work actively and, under the guidance of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, to arouse the masses fully to penetratingly carry out the movements of learning from Tach'ing in industry and learning from Tachai in agriculture, to achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism in Tibet, and to fulfill or overfulfill this year's plan of the national economy. We are determined to heighten our revolutionary vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, reinforce national defense, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. Fearing neither hardship nor death, and displaying the spirit of revolution plus all-out efforts, we are determined to build the southwestern outpost of the motherland into a wall of steel, carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end, and strive to achieve the ultimate goal of communism!

Chairman Mao, the red sun in the hearts of the people of all nationalities, will live forever in our hearts!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region, the Revolutionary Committee of Tibet Autonomous Region and the Tibet Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Chairman Mao, the esteemed and beloved great leader of our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, died in Peking. We are overwhelmed with grief. This is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people and to the international communist movement. The great leader Chairman Mao inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, integrated the universal truth of Marxism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, pioneered the cause of the proletarian revolution in China, founded our great Party, our great socialist country and our great Army and led us to win great victories in the new democratic revolution, in socialist revolution and construction and in the struggle against imperialism and revisionism. All our victories have been won under the great leader Chairman Mao's leadership. We owe all we have to Chairman Mao. The brilliant thinking of our great leader Chairman Mao will forever illuminate our road of advance. His brilliant image will live forever in our hearts.

At the moment when the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of the whole country are in immense grief, we will turn our grief into strength, rally closely round the Party Central Committee and, firmly responding to the call of the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end. We are determined to uphold Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line forever, to take class struggle as the key link, to firmly remember the Party's basic program, to keep to the Party's basic line, to persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, to consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, to energetically support the new socialist things, to restrict bourgeois rights and to seize still greater victories in the struggles to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. We are determined to uphold Chairman Mao's line of Army building forever, to continuously reinforce the revolutionized building of our Army and the building of the militia, and to make new contributions toward the struggle to consolidate and defend the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, to strengthen transformation of our world outlook, to persevere in continuing the revolution and to fight our whole lives for the cause of communism. We will heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, stand in battle array and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade.

We are determined to exert still greater revolutionary efforts and to work more arduously to overcome all difficulties, and to accomplish the tasks assigned to us by the Party Central Committee and its Military Commission.

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Lanchow Units

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We all commanders and fighters of our units were shocked upon learning of the passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao, whom our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities loved from the bottom of their hearts and held in boundless admiration and respect. We are overwhelmed with sorrow and express mourning with deep grief.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and the People's Republic of China and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples. Chairman Mao led our Party to defeat the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, enabling our Party to go on developing and growing up in strength in the course of class struggle and two-line struggle and to become a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party leading our country. Chairman Mao led our Party, our Army and the Chinese people to win great victories in the new democratic revolution, in the socialist revolution and construction and in the struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, and inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, and devoted all his energies throughout his life and made magnificent contributions to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and bereaved the contemporary international communist movement of the greatest Marxist. We will turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, carry out the struggle to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts through to the end, and consolidate and develop the achievements gained in the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee and obey its commands. We will firmly implement Chairman Mao's line of army building, heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, reinforce the building of the Army and the militia, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, and resolutely hit at the sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. We are determined to liberate Taiwan. We will make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, heighten our consciousness of class struggle and two-line

struggle and of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, firmly carry out and bravely defend Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and strive to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

The great leader Chairman Mao has left us forever. But, Chairman Mao's brilliant image will always live in our hearts, the great Mao Tsetung Thought will shine forever and Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line will forever guide us to advance in victory.

We extend our cordial regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing and Chairman Mao's children!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tsetung!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Nanking Units

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We all commanders and fighters of the PLA Kwangchow Units were shocked upon learning the news that our most esteemed and beloved leader Chairman Mao died of illness. With immense grief we express our deepest mourning!

Chairman Mao was the wisest teacher of the cause of the proletarian revolution, the greatest leader of our Party, the most outstanding founder and commander of our Chinese People's Liberation Army and the great savior of the Chinese people of all nationalities! The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable and the biggest loss to the whole Party, the whole Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, and also a big loss to the entire international communist movement and the revolutionary people the world over. Nothing else in the world can overwhelm us with such deep grief as we are now. We cannot help shedding tears of grief!

Chairman Mao Tse-tung personally founded our great Party, great Army and great new China and won the great victory of the new democratic revolution. During the period of the socialist revolution, the great leader Chairman Mao put forth the theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted our Party's basic line, led us to win great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. With the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, the great leader Chairman Mao launched the great struggle to criticize and repudiate modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, and pushed forward the vigorous development of

the cause of world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism. With the firm perseverance of a proletarian revolutionary, the great leader Chairman Mao fought doggedly against his illness. Despite his illness, he led the whole Party, the whole Army and the whole country to work until his last breath. Practice of the revolutionary struggle in the past few decades tells us: All victories won by the Chinese people have been gained under Chairman Mao's leadership and are great victories for Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. At every crucial moment of the revolution, it was because they had Chairman Mao at the helm and had the great Mao Tsetung Thought as the guide that the Chinese people defeated the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, dispel the miasma, righted the orientation, steered the boat of the Chinese revolution past dangerous shoals and hidden rocks and advanced triumphantly in storm along the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary course.

The great leader Chairman Mao nurtured us and brought us up. We will forever be devoted to Chairman Mao and his revolutionary line. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever guide us to advance bravely along the road of continued revolution. Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line will direct us to advance from victory to victory!

We all commanders and fighters will, in response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, stick to our posts, perform our tasks well, take concrete action to carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, firmly implement Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, keep to the Party's basic line, make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, deepen the great struggle to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory won in the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee, firmly carry out Chairman Mao's line of army building, take class struggle as the key link, strengthen the building of the Army and the militia, obey commands in all our actions, and cement the unity between officers and men, between the Army and the Government and between armymen and civilians. We will heighten vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, resolutely smash the sabotage and disturbance by domestic class enemies, firmly safeguard the southern entrance of our motherland, and strive to consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat and build and defend our great socialist motherland. We are determined to liberate Taiwan.

Eternal glory to our most esteemed and beloved great leader
Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the PLA
Kwangchow Units

September 9, 1976

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Messages from Party and Revolutionary Committees of Szechwan, Hupeh, Honan, Anhwei, Kiangsi, Kweichow, Yunnan and Chinghai Provinces and Party Committees of the PLA Wuhan, Chengtu and Kunming Units to the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee

(Peking Jen-min Jih-pao Sept. 13, 1976)

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief, we listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. From the snowcapped mountains and the grassland to the three gorges on the Yangtze River, from the foothills of the Tapashan Mountains to both banks of the Chinsha River, the Communist Party members, the Communist Youth League members, the people of all nationalities and the broad masses of cadres throughout Szechwan province are immersed in immense sorrow and mourn with the deepest grief over the passing away of our esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, and the greatest Marxist of the present era. He devoted all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people and the oppressed nations and peoples the world over and to the heroic and beautiful cause of communism. His magnificent contributions are immortal. His brilliant thought will forever be the beacon lighting up our road of advance. His revolutionary line will forever direct us to advance from victory to victory. The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts.

At this moment of immense grief, we the people of all nationalities in Szechwan miss very much our great leader Chairman Mao. We will never forget that it was Chairman Mao who led the heroic Worker-Peasant Red Army to rush across the Chinsha River, seize the bridge over Luting River, cross the snowcapped mountains and traverse the grassland, sowing seeds of revolution. It was Chairman Mao who showed dauntless heroism at the crucial moment of a decisive battle between the two fates and the two futures of China and came personally to Chungking to wage a tit-for-tat struggle against the Kuomintang reactionaries thereby smashing the US-Chiang reactionaries' sinister scheme of "false negotiations of peace, real war." It was Chairman Mao who commanded the People's Liberation Army to liberate Southwestern China and delivered us from the abyss of sufferings. It was Chairman Mao who personally presided over the historic meeting in Chengtu in 1958, put forth the general line for building socialism and sounded the trumpet of the Great Leap Forward. It was Chairman Mao who showed utmost concern for the revolution and construction in Szechwan and, particularly during the great proletarian cultural revolution, gave a great deal of tremendously important instructions on Szechwan province. The series of Chairman Mao's instructions and his great forecast that "Szechwan is very promising" inspired us to fight bravely against the bourgeoisie inside and outside the Party and

to win one victory after another. Reviewing our course of combat, we see that each of our struggles was carried out under Chairman Mao's wise leadership and each of our victories was won under the guidance of Mao Tsetung Thought. Now Chairman Mao has left us forever. Our grief is beyond description.

We the Communist Party members, the Communist Youth League members, the people of all nationalities and the broad masses of cadres throughout Szechwan province will, in response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, rally closely and determinedly round the Party Central Committee, assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, firmly remember the Party's basic line, perseveringly carry out the combat orders of the Party Central Committee, stick to our posts, unite as one, surmount all difficulties and seize new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. We are determined to grasp revolution and promote production and other work and preparedness against war, and to make strenuous efforts to build Szechwan into a reliable strategic rear of the motherland. We will heighten vigilance, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade, smash the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the class enemies and consolidate and strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will never fail to live up to Chairman Mao's consistent teachings for us. We will carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end, and strive to achieve the ultimate goal of communism!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Szechwan Provincial Committee and
the Szechwan Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We mourn with immense grief over the passing away of the great
leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our socialist motherland, the great teachers of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and peoples, and the great Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, Chairman Mao led our Party, our Army and our people to overcome the Right and "Left" opportunist lines in the Party, to defeat the class enemies at home and abroad and to advance from victory to victory. During the period of the new democratic revolution, during the years of sufferings in the old China, Chairman Mao closely integrated the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, creatively laid down the general line and the general policy for the new democratic revolution, led us to use the countryside to encircle the city, to seize political power by armed force, to overthrow the three big mountains, namely, imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, and to found the new China, so that hundreds of millions of the laboring people won emancipation and the Chinese people stood up ever since.

During the period of the socialist revolution, Chairman Mao comprehensively summed up the experience of both the positive and the negative sides of the international communist movement, incisively analyzed the class relations in socialist society, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism, and led us to defeat the resistance of the bourgeoisie inside and outside the Party and to win great victories in the socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Biao and Confucius, and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. In the international situation of "great disorder under heaven," Chairman Mao, with the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, taught us to fear neither imperialism, revisionism and reaction nor force and coercion, to arm ourselves with Marxism, to deal telling blows at modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, to persist in opposing imperialism and hegemonism, to uphold proletarian internationalism and to support the oppressed nations and peoples the world over in their struggle for liberation. We owe everything we have today to Chairman Mao. All our victories are great victories for Mao Tsetung Thought. Chairman Mao's magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, to the international proletariat and to the revolutionary people of the world will shine like the sun and the moon, are immortal and will forever emit bright rays in the history of mankind!

The people of Hupeh province who have honorable revolutionary traditions have been nursed and brought up with the great leader Chairman Mao's loving care and the sunshine and dew of Mao Tse-tung Thought for many years. We will never forget that during the years of the revolutionary civil war when "The red flag roused the serf, halberd in hand, while the despot's black talons held his whip aloft," it was the great leader Chairman Mao who established the Peasant Movement Institute at Wuhan and pushed forward the fiery development of the revolutionary peasant movement. During the years of the War of Resistance Against the Japanese Aggression and the War of Liberation, it was Chairman Mao's brilliant strategic thinking which guided the people's soldiers of Hupeh to fight north and south and to contribute their strength to the cause of liberation of the Chinese nation and people. After the founding of the new China, the great leader Chairman Mao again visited Hupeh on many occasions, received the broad masses of cadres and people and gave important instructions on the problems of socialist revolution and construction. Chairman Mao swam many times in the Yangtze River at Wuhan and wrote the heroic and beautiful poem, teaching us to "let the wind blow and waves beat, better far than idly strolling in a courtyard," and to temper our revolutionary will in storm. Chairman Mao instructed that we must attach importance to the cadres' experience in cultivating experimental fields and their participation in collective productive labor and that we must take the road to being both red and expert. Shown concern and inspired by Chairman Mao, we relied on the support given us by the people throughout the country and defeated the extraordinarily serious flood which struck us in 1954. During the years of the Great Leap Forward, Chairman Mao presided over the Sixth Plenary Session of the Eighth Central Committee of the Communist Party of China held at Wuhan, personally drew the brilliant resolution on some problems concerning the people's communes and inspected such units as the Wuhan Iron and Steel Company and the Wuhan University, thereby inspiring us to go on seizing victories in socialist revolution and construction. Particularly, at the important moment

of the victorious development of the great proletarian cultural revolution, Chairman Mao personally inspected the areas north and south of the Yangtze River and gave very important instructions, so that the great cultural revolution continued to advance along Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and to win victories one after another. Chairman Mao's gigantic and brilliant image will live forever in our hearts. His teachings will be imprinted forever on our minds. The great, invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will forever guide us to advance in triumph! The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to us and has evoked immense grief in the hearts of the people throughout the province. In mourning over Chairman Mao, we must carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will conscientiously study the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, and in firm response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength. We are determined to carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee. We will firmly defend the Party's unity and unification, strengthen the Party's centralized leadership, build the Party in the course of the struggle between the two lines and carry out the principle of combining the old, the middle-aged and the young in accordance with the five requirements for the training of successors. We will unite to deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. We will adopt a correct attitude toward the great proletarian cultural revolution, toward the masses and toward ourselves, consolidate and develop the achievements gained during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will maintain independence, keep the initiative in our hands, rely on our own efforts, build our country through plain living and arduous struggle and through diligence and frugality, go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. We will act on Chairman Mao's line of army building, strengthen building of the Army and the militia, strengthen preparedness against war, heighten vigilance and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We are determined to liberate Taiwan. We will continue to firmly implement Chairman Mao's line and policy of foreign affairs. We will make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung, assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works and strive to realize the Party's basic program and to achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Hupeh Provincial Committee, the
Hupeh Provincial Revolutionary Committee and
the CCP Committee of Hupeh Provincial
Military Command

September 10, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

All Communist Party members and the armymen and civilians throughout Honan province are overwhelmed with grief for the passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao. We express the deepest mourning with boundless admiration and respect. We also extend the most cordial regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing.

Our most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our socialist motherland. He led our Party to defeat the opportunist lines of the past and, particularly during the great proletarian cultural revolution, the counter-revolutionary revisionist line of Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing, so that our Party continued to develop and grow in strength in the course of class struggle and two-line struggle and became a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party. He creatively laid down the general line and the general policy for the new democratic revolution, founded the Chinese People's Liberation Army, led the whole Chinese people to use people's war to overthrow the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, founded the People's Republic of China and opened a new road for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples. During the period of the socialist revolution, he comprehensively summed up the experience of the international communist movement on both the positive and the negative sides, incisively analyzed the class relations in socialist society and, for the first time in the history of development of Marxism, unequivocally put forth that there still are classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation in the ownership of the means of production has been completed in the main, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, charted the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism, and led the Chinese people to seize great victories in socialist revolution and construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in the criticism of Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. This provided fresh experience in combating and preventing revisionism in the international communist movement, in consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, in preventing capitalist restoration and in building socialism. This was also Chairman Mao's great contribution of world historic significance to the contemporary era.

Our most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the present era. For more than half a century, Chairman Mao, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, showing the great resolve of a proletarian revolutionary, and in the course of the protracted struggle against the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, and particularly in the great struggle launched by him against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory, wrote an extremely brilliant page in the history of the proletarian revolutionary movement, pointed out to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over the orientation of struggle, motivated the vigorous development of the cause of world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed forward the progress of the history of mankind. Chairman Mao devoted

all his energies throughout his life to the cause of liberation of the Chinese people, the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and peoples the world over, and the cause of communism. The Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over loved him from the bottom of their hearts and held him in boundless admiration and respect.

The 60 million people of Honan province which is situated in the central plains of the motherland have profound feelings for the great leader Chairman Mao. It was Chairman Mao who delivered us from the abyss of flood, drought, locust disaster and waterlogging and led us to embark on the bright road to socialism. The great leader Chairman Mao inspected our province on many occasions. He left his footprints all over the central plains. His kind teachings and brilliant instructions were deeply engraved in our hearts. His great resolve and gigantic image of a proletarian revolutionary always inspired us to march forward. The great leader Chairman Mao issued the combat order "Work on the Yellow River must be carried out well," put forth the great truth "Poverty gives rise to the desire for change, the desire for action and the desire for revolution," pointed out that "In our vast rural areas, there is plenty of room for them to develop their talents to the full"--the revolutionary orientation for educated youths, highly praised that "the people's communes are fine," and enthusiastically supported the young sprout of communism. At the crucial moment of the class struggle and the two-line struggle, particularly during the great proletarian cultural revolution, it was the great leader Chairman Mao who pointed out to us the orientation of continuing the revolution. All our victories have been won with Chairman Mao's loving care and under his wise leadership and have been great victories for Mao Tse-tung Thought and for Chairman Mao's revolutionary line.

The magnificent contributions our most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao made to the Chinese people and to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people the world over are immortal. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts, and the radiance of the invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will forever illuminate our road of advance. At this moment of immense grief over the passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao, we will, in response to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength. We will carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, grasp the essential points, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and continue to carry out the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. In the course of struggle, we will strengthen Party building ideologically and organizationally, consolidate and develop the fruits of victories won during the great proletarian cultural revolution, energetically support the new socialist things, consciously restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will firmly grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war, unite as one, stick to our posts, carry out all our tasks well and seize still greater victories in revolution and production. We will perseveringly carry out Chairman Mao's line of army building, strengthen building of the Army and the militia, heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, and be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to invade. We will persevere in carrying out Chairman Mao's revolutionary line and policy in foreign affairs and uphold proletarian internationalism. We will rally

closely round the Party Central Committee and, under the leadership of the Party Central Committee, advance triumphantly along Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, carry the cause of proletarian revolution pioneered by the great leader Chairman Mao through to the end, and strive to build our country into a powerful socialist state and to achieve the ultimate goal of communism.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

Eternal glory to the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Honan Provincial Committee, the
Honan Provincial Revolutionary Committee
and the Honan Provincial Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State
Council, and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief, we mourn the esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao who passed away because of illness. Looking back over the brilliant road which the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country had gone through under the guidance of Chairman Mao in the past half a century and more, and looking back over our personal experience of steeling and growing up under the training and teachings of Chairman Mao, we are deeply stirred and are immensely grieved. It was Chairman Mao who saved us from boundless sufferings and great disasters. Without Chairman Mao, there could neither be the Communist Party of China nor the new China, and the people could have nothing of their own. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss not only to the Chinese revolution, but also to the entire international communist movement. On behalf of the 45 million people of the province of Anhwei, we extend our boundless admiration and respect and deep mourning for the esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our great Party, great people's Army and the great socialist country. In the long years of the revolution, Chairman Mao combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, creatively formulated the general line and the general policy for the various stages of the revolution. He led us to "bind fast the Grey Dragon," "chastise the corrupt and evil," "pursue the tottering foe," "set great plans afoot," triumph over the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party and win great victories in the new democratic revolution and the socialist revolution and socialist construction and, particularly, in the great cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. All our victories were won under the leadership of Chairman Mao; they were all great victories for

Chairman Mao's revolutionary line. Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world and to the cause of communism. The magnificent contributions made by Chairman Mao are eternal as the sun and moon in the sky and the rivers on earth; they will shine forever in future generations.

The great leader Chairman Mao has left us forever! However, his brilliant image will forever remain in our hearts. The great Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's revolutionary line will forever light up our way of advance to victory. We are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, resolutely comply with Chairman Mao's teachings, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, implement Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end. We will rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, uphold the unity and unification of the Party as we protect our eyes, strictly observe Party discipline and obey orders in all our actions. We will make more assiduous efforts to study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, penetratingly launch struggles to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, scathingly criticize the three big poisonous weeds--"On the General Program for All Work of the Party and the Country," "Some Problems Concerning the Work of Science and Technology" and "Some Problems in Accelerating Industrial Development"--concocted at the instruction of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, conscientiously carry out education in the Party's basic line in close conjunction with realities, concretely carry out a socialist revolution in two aspects, namely, the superstructure and the economic base, enthusiastically support new socialist things, criticize and restrict bourgeois rights and consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will follow Chairman Mao's consistent teachings, take class struggle as the key link, persist in grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, and seize still greater victories in revolution and production. Under the wise leadership of the Party, we are determined to build our country into a strong socialist state, strive to make still greater contributions to mankind and strive for the ultimate realization of communism.

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Anhwei Provincial Committee and
the Anhwei Provincial Revolutionary
Committee

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

With immense grief, we listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee broadcast by the Central People's Broadcasting Station. We extend our deepest condolence on the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

The Chinggang Mountains was the first rural revolutionary base opened up by Chairman Mao personally in our country. The 28 million people of the Chinggang Mountains were long nourished personally by Mao Tsetung Thought and had extremely deep proletarian feelings toward the great leader Chairman Mao. During the period of the new democratic revolution, Chairman Mao personally kindled the spark of revolution in the Chinggang Mountains, founded the Chinese People's Liberation Army, opened up a brilliant road of building rural revolutionary base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing the cities, triumphed over the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, overthrew the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism, bureaucrat-capitalism, won great victories of the new democratic revolution and founded the new China. After the founding of the People's Republic of China, the great leader Chairman Mao took every care of the old revolutionary base and called on us to "Carry the revolutionary tradition forward, that we may gain still greater glory." Under the guidance of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, we won great victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction. In the course of the great proletarian cultural revolution, Chairman Mao led us to triumph over the counter-revolutionary revisionist line of Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing and to win great victories in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever light up our way of advance and Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line will forever guide us forward in victory.

At this moment of immense grief throughout the country, we declare on behalf of the army and the people of the whole province: We will firmly respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, resolutely implement the combat tasks put forward by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee in their "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country," closely rally round the Party Central Committee, stick to our posts, combat in unity, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will strengthen the centralized leadership of the Party, uphold the unity and unification of the Party, and strengthen Party building ideologically and organizationally in the two-line struggle. We will deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will heighten our vigilance a hundredfold, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, smash the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the class enemies at home and consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Through self-reliance, hard struggles, we will go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. We will assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end and strive for still greater victories in the communist cause.

Long live Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

The CCP Kiangsi Provincial Committee,
the Kiangsi Provincial Revolutionary Committee and the Kiangsi Provincial Military Command

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We are deeply grieved on hearing the news of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the esteemed and beloved great leader of our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities, the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples. The Communist Party members, the Communist Youth League members, the workers and poor and lower-middle peasants, the commanders and fighters of the People's Liberation Army, the revolutionary cadres and revolutionary intellectuals and the people of all nationalities throughout our province are extremely grieved by and express deep mourning for the passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao whom the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country love from the bottom of their hearts and hold in boundless admiration and respect.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of the Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese People's Liberation Army, and the People's Republic of China. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, our Party waged protracted, acute and complex struggle against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party and, after taking a tortuous path, has developed into a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party leading the People's Republic of China today. Chairman Mao led our Party, our Army and the Chinese people to go on a road of building rural base areas, using the countryside to encircle the cities and finally seizing the cities, and to overthrow the reactionary rule of imperialism, feudalism, and bureaucrat-capitalism by means of people's war and seize great victories in the new democratic revolution. The victories of the Chinese people's revolution have changed the situation in the East and the world and blazed a new trail for the cause of liberation of the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples.

In the period of the socialist revolution, Chairman Mao comprehensively summed up the positive as well as the negative experience of the international communist movement, penetratingly analyzed the class relations in socialist society and, for the first time in the history of the development of Marxism, unequivocally pointed out that there are still classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and laid down the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism. The great victories achieved in the great proletarian cultural revolution personally initiated and led by Chairman Mao, in criticizing Lin Biao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and in repulsing Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts are great contributions of world historic significance which he made to the present era. At the same time, they have provided fresh experience for the international communist movement in combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, preventing capitalist restoration and building socialism. The radiance of Mao Tsetung Thought will forever light up the way of advance of the Chinese people.

Chairman Mao summed up the revolutionary practice in the international communist movement, put forward a series of scientific theses, enriched the treasury-house of Marxist theory and indicated the orientation of struggle for the Chinese people and the revolutionary people throughout the world. He initiated in the international communist movement the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of the world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and pushed the history of mankind forward.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era. In the past half a century and more, basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, he inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism in the protracted struggle against the class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, and wrote a most brilliant chapter in the history of the movement of proletarian revolution. He dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples the world over, and to the cause of communism. The magnificent contributions he made for the Chinese people, the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the whole world are immortal. The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all the nationalities, to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement.

At a time of deeply mourning the passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, the people of all nationalities in Kweichow recall that in January, 1935, Chairman Mao led the Chinese Workers' and Peasants' Red Army on a long march and arrived at Tsun-i where he called the great historic Tsun-i Conference which put an end to the rule of Wang Ming's "Left" opportunist line in the Party Central Committee, thereby saving the Party and the Red Army when they were at the most critical juncture, righting the direction of the Chinese revolution and establishing his leading position

in the whole Party. Looking back over the history of the Long March, we have come to profoundly understand that no matter how tortuous the revolutionary path may be, the revolution will be victorious and will forge ahead once Chairman Mao's revolutionary line is carried out.

On behalf of the Communist Party members, the Communist Youth League members, the workers and poor and lower-middle peasants, the commanders and fighters of the People's Liberation Army, the revolutionary cadres and revolutionary intellectuals and the people of all nationalities in Kweichow province, we make this vow to the Party Central Committee: We are determined to turn out grief into strength, unite as one, stick to our posts, adhere to Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

We are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, rally more closely, round the Party Central Committee, obey orders of the Party Central Committee in all our actions and perseveringly fulfill all tasks the Party Central Committee entrusts to us. We will persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will unswervingly and assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought. We will strengthen the centralized leadership of the Party, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to unfold the struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the victories of the great proletarian cultural revolution, enthusiastically support the new socialist things, restrict bourgeois rights and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat in our country. We will strengthen Party building ideologically and organizationally in the course of the struggle between the two lines and resolutely implement the principle of the three-in-one combination of the old, the middle-aged and the young in accordance with the five requirements for the training of successors. We will heighten our revolutionary vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, be ready at all times, to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, and resolutely hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. We will adhere to the policy of grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, go all out, aim high and achieve greater, faster, better and more economical results in building socialism. We will never fail to live up to the consistent teachings of the great leader Chairman Mao. We will unite together to triumph over all difficulties, to carry out well all tasks in Kweichow and to fight for new victories in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and for still greater victories in the communist cause.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

The CCP Kweichow Provincial Committee,
the Kweichow Provincial Revolutionary Committee
and the PLA Kweichow Provincial Military
Command

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

The Communist Party members and the people of all nationalities throughout our Yunnan province are profoundly grieved over the passing away of Chairman Mao, our most esteemed and beloved great leader and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples. The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an irretrievable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country as well as an inestimable loss to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. The great leader Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples the world over and to the cause of communism and fought till his last breath.

The great leader Chairman Mao founded the great, glorious and correct Chinese Communist Party, founded the invincible Chinese People's Liberation Army, indicated to us the road for liberation, led the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country to triumph over the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, righted the revolutionary course, went through tortuous struggle, overthrew the three big mountains of imperialism, feudalism and bureaucrat-capitalism, liberated the Chinese people from deep sufferings, founded the socialist new China and also brought a new life to the people of all nationalities in Yunnan who had been exploited and oppressed by the reactionaries. Illuminated by radiance of Chairman Mao's nationality policy, the Yunnan people have started to build a brand-new life of their own together with the people of all nationalities in the great motherland.

The great leader Chairman Mao led us to realize the socialist transformation in the system of ownership of the means of production, to keep to the policy of maintaining independence, taking the initiative in our own hands and relying on own efforts and building our country through self-reliance, hard struggle, diligence and thrift, to build a poor and backward China into a socialist country with initial prosperity and build Yunnan into a beautiful, resourceful and new frontier of the motherland.

For the first time in the history of the development of Marxism, Chairman Mao unequivocally pointed out that there are still classes and class struggle after the socialist transformation of the ownership of the means of production has in the main been completed, drew the scientific conclusion that the bourgeoisie is right in the Communist Party, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat and laid down for our Party a basic line for the entire historical period of socialism. He led the hundreds of millions of armymen and civilians of the whole country to carry out the great proletarian cultural revolution, wage the great mass movements criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, thereby providing fresh experiences for the international communist movement in combating and preventing

revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat, preventing the restoration of capitalism and building socialism.

The great leader Chairman Mao initiated the great struggle to criticize modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, promoted the vigorous development of the cause of the world proletarian revolution and the cause of the people of all countries against imperialism and hegemonism, and made ineffaceable contributions to the international communist movement.

In leading the protracted struggle of the Chinese revolution, the great leader Chairman Mao combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of revolution, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory.

The magnificent contributions made by the great leader Chairman Mao will shine forever as the sun and the moon. We the people of all nationalities of Yunnan and our offsprings will bear this in mind forever. The great leader Chairman Mao will live forever in the hearts of people of all nationalities. The great invincible Mao Tsetung Thought will forever guide us to advance from victory to still greater victories.

At this moment of immense grief among the army-men and civilian throughout the country, we the people of all nationalities of Yunnan province are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, unite as one, stick to our posts, adhere to Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by the great leader Chairman Mao through to the end. We will resolutely support the Party Central Committee, resolutely uphold the unity and unification of the Party, rally closely round the Party Central Committee, obey orders from the Party Central Committee in all our actions, take class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, heighten our revolutionary vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, strengthen building of the militia, consolidate border defense, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, and smash the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the domestic class enemies. We are determined to grasp revolution, promote production and other work and preparedness against war, and seize new victories in the industrial and agricultural production. We will carry on the cause left behind by the great leader Chairman Mao, conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions and will never fail to live up to Chairman Mao's consistent teachings. We will unite together to surmount all difficulties, to win new victories in the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsion of the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts and to strive for still greater victories in the communist cause.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Chinese Communist Party!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Yunnan Provincial Committee and
the Yunnan Provincial Revolutionary Committee

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

Listening in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee, we and the people of all nationalities of our province are shocked to learn of the sad news of the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader of our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and the great teacher of the international proletariat and oppressed nations and oppressed peoples, we are filled with sorrow beyond measure. Shedding tears and weeping, we and the people of all nationalities in the whole province listen in to the broadcast again and again. From towns and cities to the vast rural and pastoral areas, all are immersed in an atmosphere of profound sorrow and mourn with great grief over the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao. Please extend our most sincere regards to Chairman Mao's old comrade-in-arms Comrade Chiang Ch'ing and his relatives.

The great leader Chairman Mao is the red sun in our hearts and the great savior of the people of all nationalities. He personally founded the great Communist Party of China, the invincible people's army, and the People's Republic of China under the dictatorship of the proletariat. He combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the Chinese revolution, creatively inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism and wrote a most brilliant chapter in the history of the movement of proletarian revolution. In the protracted course of revolutionary struggles, Chairman Mao led our Party to wage acute and complex struggle against the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party and guided our Party to develop and grow in strength steadily and forge ahead victoriously. Under extremely difficult conditions where the enemy was strong while we were weak, Chairman Mao led the proletariat and the broad masses of people to advance wave upon wave and wage heroic struggles, launched a people's war to overthrow the "three big mountains," and seized great victories in the new democratic revolution. Chairman Mao comprehensively summed up the positive as well as the negative experience of the international communist movement, penetratingly analyzed the class relations in socialist society, put forth the great theory of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, laid down the Party's basic line for the entire historical period of socialism, led the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities to go on winning great victories in the socialist revolution and socialist construction, particularly in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius and in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and made matchless contributions to the Chinese revolution and the world revolution. In the past half a century and more, Chairman Mao guided us to go through arduous and tortuous paths, pass countless rapid flows and dangerous shoals and advance from victory to new victories. Without the great leader Chairman Mao, there could not be the victory for the Chinese revolution and we cannot be what we are today. We never will forget that it was the Chinese People's

Liberation Army under Chairman Mao's personal command which marched into Chinghai to smash the dark rule of the Chiang-Ma bandits and the pastoral lords and chieftains and save the people of all nationalities in Chinghai from the abyss of sufferings. The slaves of the past won emancipation and became masters of the house. The past scenes of the deserted and barren Chinghai Plateau have been transformed. The benevolence of Chairman Mao is high as the sky and profound as the sea. Even if the trees on Ch'ilin Mountain were pens and the water of Chinghai Lake were ink, they could not be sufficient to describe and eulogize his benevolence which will be remembered by us and by our future generations. The great and glorious image of Chairman Mao will forever live in the hearts of our people of all nationalities and Mao Tsetung Thought will shine forever.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the people of all nationalities of our country, to the international proletariat and revolutionary people of all countries and to the international communist movement. We are determined to turn our grief into strength, resolutely respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee, and obey commands in all our actions. We are determined to further strengthen the centralized leadership of the Party, resolutely uphold the unity and unification of the Party, strengthen the unity between the Army and the Government and between army men and civilians and strengthen the great unity among the people of all nationalities. We will strengthen the building of the Party ideologically and organizationally, and constantly strengthen the Party's fighting power. We are determined to conscientiously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions and, in the light of realities, grasp the crucial point, that is, the revisionist ideological and political line, continue to deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution, and further consolidate the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to adhere to the great policy of grasping revolution and promoting production and other work and preparedness against war, and make still greater revolutionary efforts to increase production, strictly practice economy and seize new victories in industrial and agricultural production and animal husbandry. We will heighten our vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, and smash all subversive and sabotage activities of the class enemies at home and abroad. We are determined to assiduously study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, persevere in combating and preventing revisionism, carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end and struggle for the realization of the noble ideal of communism!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Chinghai Provincial Committee,
the Chinghai Provincial Revolutionary Committee
and the Chinghai Provincial Military
Command

September 9, 1976

The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

We are shocked to learn of the passing away of Chairman Mao, the most esteemed and beloved great leader of the whole Party, the whole Army and the people of all nationalities throughout the country and the great teacher of the international proletariat and the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples. All commanders and fighters of our units are extremely grieved. The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people. In these days of profound grief, no words are enough to tell all our warm love for Chairman Mao and to express our profound memories for him. With immense sorrow, we extend the deepest mourning over the passing away of the most esteemed and beloved great leader Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era, the founder and wise leader of Chinese Communist Party, the Chinese People's Liberation Army and the People's Republic of China and the great teacher of the revolutionary people of the world. Chairman Mao dedicated all his energies throughout his life to the liberation of the Chinese people, to the emancipation of the oppressed nations and oppressed peoples of the world and to the cause of communism. In the past half a century and more, Chairman Mao combined the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of Chinese revolution, laid down the general line and the general policy for the new democratic revolution, founded the Chinese People's Liberation Army, led our Party, our Army and the Chinese people to wage heroic and dogged struggles, triumphed over the Right and "Left" opportunist lines inside the Party, overthrew the reactionary rule of the "three big mountains" with people's war, won victory in the new democratic revolution and founded the great People's Republic of China. In the period of socialist revolution, Chairman Mao led the people throughout the country to wage continuous revolution under the conditions of the dictatorship of the proletariat, and, in particular, initiated the great proletarian cultural revolution, triumphed over the counter-revolutionary revisionist line of Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing and seized a great victory in the socialist revolution and socialist construction. Under the wise leadership of Chairman Mao, our Party developed and grew up in strength steadily, our country became more prosperous and powerful with every passing day and our dictatorship of the proletariat are more consolidated. The brilliant works of Chairman Mao greatly enriched and developed the treasure-house of Marxist-Leninist theories. The great leader Chairman Mao was the great savior of the Chinese people, the invincible Mao Tsetung Thought was our guiding light, and Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line was our life blood. Chairman Mao's benevolence to us is high as the sky and profound as the sea. The great contributions Chairman Mao made to the revolutionary cause of the Chinese people, and the magnificent contributions he made to the revolutionary struggle of the people of the world will shine forever. Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts and in the hearts of all Chinese people and the revolutionary people of the world.

The "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee has completely expressed our desires. We are determined to

respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao and persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We will rally closely round the Party Central Committee, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, implement the Party's basic line, penetratingly carry out the struggle to criticize Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, and consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution. We will seriously implement Chairman Mao's line of army building, carry forward the fine traditions of our Army, strengthen the building of the Army and the militia, strengthen the unity between the Army and the Government and between the armymen and the civilians, heighten our revolutionary vigilance, go further to make all preparations against war, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, and bring into full play the role of our Army as the pillar of the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to liberate Taiwan. We will assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, study Chairman Mao's great revolutionary practice, make strenuous efforts to arm our minds with Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, constantly heighten our awareness of class struggle and the two-line struggle and of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, constantly make revolution against the bourgeoisie inside the Party and carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Chinese Communist Party!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the Wuhan Units

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

In immense grief, we listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. On behalf of all the commanders and fighters of the Chengtu Units, we express our most deep mourning over the passing away of the esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao and extend our most sincere regards to Comrade Chiang Ch'ing.

Chairman Mao was the founder and wise leader of our Party. In the course of protracted revolutionary struggle, Chairman Mao led our Party to defeat the Right and "Left" opportunist line inside the Party, and again in the great proletarian cultural revolution, to triumph over the counter-revolutionary revisionist line pushed by Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing. On the tortuous revolutionary road, he led our Party to surmount

difficulties and setbacks and tide over roaring waves, and fostered our Party, so that it developed and grew in strength steadily and becomes a great, glorious and correct Marxist-Leninist political party today.

Chairman Mao personally founded, led and commanded our People's Army, laid down for our Army the principles for building a people's army and the Marxist line of building an army, so that our army could start from scratch, grew from small to big, and from weak to strong and triumph over one strong enemy after another, and has become an invincible army of the proletariat today.

Chairman Mao founded our great socialist motherland and was the great savior of the people of all nationalities of our country. Chairman Mao led the whole Party, the whole Army and all Chinese people to go through twenty years of fierce sanguinary battles and to overthrow the three big mountains so that the semi-feudal and semi-colonial old China changed into a new China with initial prosperity. In the period of socialist revolution, Chairman Mao had laid down a whole set of lines and general and specific policies for us in persisting in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, smashed one after another the sinister plots of the capitalist-roaders in power inside the Party to restore capitalism, solved theoretically and practically the major problems of combating and preventing revisionism, consolidating the dictatorship of the proletariat and preventing the restoration of capitalism, thereby enabling us to seize great victories in socialist revolution and socialist construction. Chairman Mao's great theory and great practice of continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat greatly enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory, indicated the orientation of struggle for the world revolution, provided fresh experience for the international communist movement, made magnificent and never-fading great contributions to the international proletariat and the revolutionary people of the world. Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era, the esteemed and beloved great leader of the Chinese people of all nationalities as well as the great teacher of the international proletariat and oppressed nations and oppressed peoples. The Chinese people and the revolutionary people the world over love him from the bottom of their hearts and have boundless admiration and respect for him.

At this moment of immense grief, the broad masses of PLA commanders and fighters are immersed in deep memories of the great leader Chairman Mao. In the course of Chinese revolution, Chairman Mao came several times to the area where our units were stationed. During the 25,000 li Long March, Chairman Mao led the Workers' and Peasants' Red Army, to pass through Szechuan, to rush to cross Chinsha River, to seize the bridge over Luting River, to climb snow-covered mountains and traverse the grassland, to break through the encirclement, chase and interception by the Chiang army to defeat the opportunist line of Chang Kuo-tao and to arrive in triumph at the frontier of the War of Resistance Against Japanese Aggression. In 1945, with the dauntless boldness and vision of a proletarian revolutionary, Chairman Mao came to Chungking, smashed the fraud of the U.S.-Chiang reactionaries of "sham peace talks and genuine battles, and laid bare Liu Shao-ch'i's conspiracy of a new stage of peace and democracy. In 1958, Chairman Mao personally called and presided over the Chengtu Conference, sounded in combat bugle for the Great Leap Forward

and led the Chinese people to hold high the "three red banners" and to forge ahead in the wake of victory. The great leader Chairman Mao always remembered and showed concern for his fighters. While the Chengtu Conference was in session, Chairman Mao warmly received the cadres of our units. During the great proletarian cultural revolution, he received on many occasions the representatives of our units and the young fighters of the Red Guards. Looking back over the past, we profoundly understand that: Without Chairman Mao, we cannot be what we are today. Dear are our parents to us, but Chairman Mao was dearer to us; deep are the rivers and seas, but they are not so deep as Chairman Mao's benevolence to us.

The passing away of the great leader Chairman Mao is an inestimable loss to our Party, our Army and the Chinese people of all nationalities and to the revolutionary people the world over. We are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, follow Chairman Mao's consistent teachings, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, closely rally round the Party Central Committee and make efforts to do all our tasks well. We are determined to unswervingly and seriously study the series of Chairman Mao's important instructions, take class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line, concentrate fire on the deep-going criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, criticize the three big poisonous weeds including "On the General Program" concocted at the instruction of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution, enthusiastically support new socialist things, continue the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat through to the end and struggle assiduously for the communist cause. We are determined to constantly strengthen the leadership of the Party, uphold the unity and unification of the Party, strengthen building of the Party in the course of struggle, cherish the unity of the Party as we cherish our eyes and our lives, consciously restrict bourgeois rights and carry forward our Army's glorious tradition of unity between officers and men, between the superior and the subordinate and between the Armysmen and the civilians. We are determined to obey the orders from the Party Central Committee and its Military Commission in all our actions, heighten vigilance, strengthen preparedness against war, maintain stability within the units, strengthen the building of the units, bring into full play the role of our Army as a combat force, a work team and a production team, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, smash the disturbance and sabotage by all class enemies, and consolidate and strengthen the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Our esteemed and beloved Chairman Mao has passed away but his benevolence and love will be forever engraved in our hearts! Mao Tsetung Thought will forever be the spring of strength inspiring us to continue the revolution! Chairman Mao's revolutionary line will forever be our life blood and the lighthouse guiding us forward in victory! On the revolutionary road in the future, no matter how complex the conditions may be, we will resolutely act in accordance with Chairman Mao's instructions, unswervingly follow Chairman Mao's revolutionary line, and resolutely struggle against all mistaken thoughts and actions that go against the cause left behind by Chairman Mao.

Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao Tse-tung!

The CCP Committee of the Chengtu Units

September 9, 1976

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The CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee:

On hearing the shocking news of the passing away of the most esteemed and beloved great leader and teacher Chairman Mao, we were extremely grieved. All cadres, fighters, staff members and dependents of our units listened in to the "Message to the Whole Party, the Whole Army and the People of All Nationalities Throughout the Country" by the CCP Central Committee, the NPC Standing Committee, the State Council and the Military Commission of the CCP Central Committee. They all burst into tears. From the interiors to the frontier, from the headquarters to the company units, all are immersed in extreme grief. At this moment of profound sorrow, the Party Committee and all commanders and fighters of our units express the deepest mourning over the passing away of the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao! We extend our sincerest regards to the esteemed and beloved Comrade Chiang Ch'ing!

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao was the greatest Marxist of the contemporary era, the founder and wise leader of our Party, our Army and our country. In the past half a century and more, Chairman Mao led us to win great victories in the new democratic revolution, in the socialist revolution and socialist construction and, particularly, in the great proletarian cultural revolution, in criticizing Lin Piao and Confucius, in criticizing Teng Hsiao-p'ing and repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts. Basing himself on the principle of integrating the universal truth of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the revolution, and in the protracted struggle against class enemies at home and abroad and inside and outside the Party, in the struggle against the Right and the "Left" opportunist lines pushed by Ch'en Tu-hsiu, Ch'u Ch'iu-pai, Li Li-san, Lo Chang-lung, Wang Ming, Chang Kuo-t'ao, Kao Kang, Jao Shu-shih and P'eng Te-huai, in the struggle against the counter-revolutionary revisionist line pushed by Liu Shao-ch'i, Lin Piao and Teng Hsiao-p'ing, and in the struggle against modern revisionism with the Soviet revisionist renegade clique at the core, Chairman Mao put forward the great theory of continuing revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, drew a series of scientific theses, enriched the treasure-house of Marxist theory, inherited, defended and developed Marxism-Leninism, pushed the history of mankind forward, and made eternal and magnificent contributions to the Chinese people, the international proletariat and revolutionary people the world over. At every crucial moment in the protracted revolutionary course, it was the great leader Chairman Mao who pointed out to us the orientation, righted the revolutionary course and led us to advance from victory to victory. Each of our revolutionary fighters has come to understand deeply: Chairman Mao's wise leadership and the brilliant guidance of Mao Tsetung Thought mean the orientation,

strength and victory. Whatever danger and difficulties we may encounter, we will be ever-victorious as long as we follow Chairman Mao closely. Chairman Mao's benevolence to us is high as the sky and deep as the sea. He was our great savior.

The passing away of Chairman Mao is the greatest misfortune to the whole Party, the whole Army and the people throughout the country. It is an inestimable loss to the Chinese people of all nationalities, to the revolutionary people the world over and to the international communist movement.

With boundless admiration and respect for and boundless loyalty to the great leader Chairman Mao, we solemnly make this vow to the esteemed and beloved Party Central Committee: We are determined to respond to the call of the Party Central Committee, turn our grief into strength, rally closely round the Party Central Committee, carry on the cause left behind by Chairman Mao, carry the proletarian revolutionary cause initiated by Chairman Mao through to the end and mourn the great leader and teacher Chairman Mao with solid actions. We are determined to resolutely implement Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line forever, carry out the line, the idea and the principles of army building laid down by Chairman Mao, maintain and carry forward the glorious traditions and fine styles Chairman Mao cultivated for our army, persist in taking class struggle as the key link, keep to the Party's basic line and strengthen the building of the Army and the militia, so that our Army can shoulder better the historical tasks of preventing restoration at home and fighting against intrusion from outside. We will strengthen centralized leadership of the Party, resolutely uphold the unity and unification of the Party, rally more closely round the Party Central Committee and obey orders from the Party Central Committee in all our actions. We will make strenuous efforts to study Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and Chairman Mao's great revolutionary practice, assiduously study the works of Marx and Lenin and Chairman Mao's works, constantly heighten our awareness in class struggle and the two line struggle and in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and struggle for the realization of communism. We will grasp the vital point, deepen the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing, continue to unfold struggle to repulse the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, seize new victories in the criticism of Teng Hsiao-p'ing and in repulsing the Right deviationist attempt at reversing verdicts, consolidate and develop the fruits of victory of the great proletarian cultural revolution, persevere in waging protracted struggle against the bourgeoisie inside the Party, persevere in continuing the revolution under the dictatorship of the proletariat, and guarantee that the red socialist regime founded for us by Chairman Mao will never change its political color. We will strengthen preparedness against war, heighten vigilance, safeguard the southwestern entrance of the motherland, be ready at all times to wipe out all enemies who dare to intrude, resolutely hit at the counter-revolutionary sabotage activities of the class enemies at home, and defend at all costs the socialist motherland under the dictatorship of the proletariat. We are determined to liberate Taiwan. We will carry the struggle against imperialism, revisionism and reaction through to the end.

Long live the invincible Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought!

Long live the great, glorious and correct Communist Party of China!

The great leader and teacher Chairman Mao will live forever in our hearts!

Eternal glory to our great leader and teacher Chairman Mao!

The CCP Committee of the Kunming Units

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